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PEACEFUL TRANSFER OF POWER Top, the old City Council: Michael Winkler, Susan Ornelas, Alex Stillman and Mark Wheetley. Above, electees Paul Pitino, Wheetley and Sofia Pereira are sworn in by City Clerk Bridget Dory. Photos by Matt Filar | Union

Alex eyes 2029 re-election

Kevin L. Hoover
Mad River Union

ARCATA – CITY HALL – In an extended mid-day session Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 9, the Arcata City Council made a generational paradigm shift, then enjoyed cake.

Before a City Council Chamber packed with friends, colleagues and numerous former councilmembers, Councilmember Alex Stillman was honored for her contributions to Arcata after her latest eight-year stint on the council, after which newly minted Councilmembers Sofia Pereira and Paul Pitino were sworn in.

As Arcata's first female councilmember, Alexandra Stillman served on the Arcata City Council from 1972 to 1980, then from 2006 to the present, for 16 years of official service to the City of Arcata. Apart from that, even in a town full of

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Arcata helps NASA with Mars mission

Arcata manufacturer key to Orion recovery

Roger Eckart
Mad River Union

PACIFIC OCEAN – It was an unmanned test, but the United States' return to human-rated space flight resumed after 42 years on Dec. 4. As part of Experimental Flight Test-1 (EFT-1), the Orion capsule was launched, orbited and just as importantly, recovered for re-use.

The state-of-the-art spaceship was plucked from the Pacific Ocean with crucial assistance from Arcata's Wing Inflatables.

A Delta IV-Heavy, the most powerful rocket in use today, propelled Orion into an elliptical orbit from Cape Canaveral, Florida. After two orbits and a second stage boost to an apogee of 3,600 miles – 14 times higher than the International Space Station (ISS) – Orion re-entered the atmosphere at a blistering 20,000 mph, its heat shield protecting the capsule and its components from the scorching 4,000 degree temperatures.

After splashdown in the Pacific Ocean off Baja California, the USS Anchorage, a Navy landing platform dock (LPD), moved in with its helicopters, rigid inflatable boats (RIBS) and inflatables to secure Orion's safe recovery. The RIBS and inflatables were created all or in part right here in Arcata. The RIBS, a Willard Marine "Sea Force" 11m, incorporates a Wing collar. The much smaller black inflatables, the Wing P4.7 Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (CRRC) carried Navy divers for the initial connection of

ORION ❖ A2



WINGS OF ORION U.S. Navy divers recover the Orion space capsule using, in foreground, a Wing Inflatables P4.7. The two larger craft are Willard Marine rigid inflatable boats with Wing collars. U.S. Navy photo

Tragic accident claims toddler's life at Big Lagoon

Mad River Union

BIG LAGOON – A memorial service was held Monday, Dec. 15, for 3-year-old Fisher Midnight Richardson, who drowned a week earlier at Big Lagooon.

At about 3:05 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 8, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call of a missing toddler at the Big Lagoon County Park north of Trinidad.

Deputies were immediately dispatched including Sheriff's Search and Rescue personnel. Numerous other emergency personnel were also immediately dispatched including Cal Fire, Arcata-Mad River Ambulance, California State Parks Rangers, California Highway Patrol and a U.S. Coast Guard helicopter.

It was reported the child was last seen near the water on the lagoon side of the park and rescuers, including local citizens, started searching.

The toddler, Fisher Midnight Richardson, was located in the water by rescue personnel and quickly moved to an ambulance where paramedics performed lifesaving efforts. Tragically, the child did not survive. There is no indication this incident is anything other than an unfortunate accident.

The family is asking that any donations be made to: In Memory of Fisher Midnight Richardson, CDF Firefighters Benevolent Foundation, 1731 J St., Ste. 100, Sacramento, CA, 95811.

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Micro-business program launched

Daniel Mintz
Mad River Union

HUMBOLDT – In a first-time effort, the county is helping lower-income entrepreneurs build up their micro-businesses and become eligible for loans.

The Board of Supervisors approved new guidelines for micro-enterprises at its Dec. 9 meeting. Funded through the state's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the county's micro-business assistance comes in two forms.

Technical assistance grants help develop businesses to the point where they can enter a more advanced phase – receiving loans of up to $50,000 for expansion.

This type of combined assistance has never been done in the county before, said Paula Mushrush, the county's housing and grants coordinator. The loan program's focus is on lower-income entrepreneurs – those earning 80 percent or less of the county's median income level – who have less than five employees.

As an example, Mushrush told of a man who employed three people in a street sweeping company that he wanted to expand. "That's the type of thing that we would be interested in doing," she said.

Unlike other CDBG business loan programs, the assistance is not conditioned on adding more workers. The first phase would involve grants of up to $10,000 for

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Stephenson to plan next year's Oyster Festival

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ARCATA – Arcata Main Street (AMS) last week announced that it has hired Nancy Stephenson as the event planner for the 25th annual Arcata Bay Oyster Festival.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, June 20, 2015.

Stephenson will begin making her plans on Jan. 5. Arcata Main Street will host a gathering early next year to introduce her to Downtown Arcata and the public.

Greenway Partners, which managed the event last year, had also applied to do so again, but its proposal wasn't accepted. The planning and project management firm did create a how-to manual for the OysterFest, which had become controversial following the unpopular fencing of the Plaza in 2013.

Anna Jewett, whom AMS had previously announced as its news exective director, did not accept the position and remains at Pacific Outfitters. Hence the organization's hiring of an event planner for the OysterFest.



IT'S A PLAN Event planner Nancy Stephenson and Arcata Main Street President Vicky Joyce come to terms on next year's OysterFest. PHOTO COURTESY ARCATA MAIN STREET



ON THE JOB Loretta Arbuckle. CITY OF ARCATA PHOTO

❖ THEY MAKE IT WORK

Arcata Finance Clerk Loretta Arbuckle works well with others

Josephine Barajas
ARCATA RECREATION INTERN

ARCATA – Loretta Arbuckle, who has been a city finance clerk since 2002, enjoys working with Arcata customers.

"You meet a lot of interesting people and I love my co-workers," she says.

Arbuckle helps open new water accounts, does billing and analyzes the city's 5,000 customer accounts.

"If the meter reads too high, we send someone out to re-check just in case there's a leak," she said.

Loretta reminds everyone that paying their water bills supports the water distribution system, including the treatment of waste water. Additionally, the city now provides a new auto-pay system available at *CityofArcata.org*.

Fratkin's ResolutionCare meets funding goal

Kevin L. Hoover
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Everyone has wondered how and when they are going to die, and that's something you may or may not want to know.

But some with faltering health do learn how, and approximately when their end will come. That raises a lot of issues, not least among them how to maintain a decent quality of life during one's remaining time.

A new service, initially crowdfunded, aims to bridge that troubling time between bad news and what Dr. Michael Fratkin calls the "completion" of life.

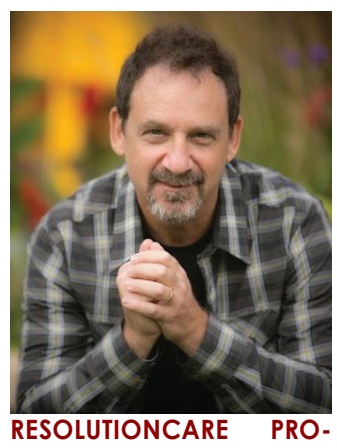
Fratkin's startup, ResolutionCare, provides the resources a person facing an end-of-life scenario might need.

"There's this huge gap in dealing with mortality before hospice care is available," Fratkin said."There are a lot of choices to make and a lot of life to experience."

As described on the ResolutionCare website, the service restores tradition with use of today's technology.

A palliative care team assesses the patient's needs, and addresses pain and other symptoms. It also offers emotional support and help in navigating the many choices confronting a terminal patient.

The assistance takes advantage of videoconferencing and a partnership with the University of New Mexico's Project ECHO, which links specialists with clinicians and patients in underserved and rural communities.



RESOLUTIONCARE PROVIDER Dr. Michael Fratkin.

"There are a lot of choices to make, and a lot of life to experience," Fratkin said. "My goal is to put more life into the minutes, hours and months."

To get ResolutionCare rolling, Fratkin needed about $100,000, and thanks to an IndieGogo online fundraising campaign, raised more than that amount. At press time, Fratkin was pressing on toward a new goal of $160,000 to fully staff the effort.

Initial staffing would include a nurse practitioner and chaplain, though with more funding, an administrative coordinator could be added.

"The bigger the number, the more professionals we'll have to do it right," Fratkin said.

ResolutionCare will be structured as a community benefit corporation, part private practice and part non-profit.

"It's a sustainable model," Fratkin said. "You've got to start somewhere."

For more information, visit *resolutioncare.com*.

Effort underway to revive Samoa B&B

REDWOOD COAST PROPERTIES

SAMOA PENINSULA – Redwood Coast Properties (RCP) was scheduled Dec. 16, after the *Union* went to press, to unveil to the Eureka City Council its plan to renovate and revive the Samoa Bed and Breakfast. This will be RCP's second step in the process after winning the City of Eureka's August "request for qualifications" public bid.

Since winning the bid, Redwood Coast Properties has been working cooperatively with City of Eureka staff to develop a plan in which RCP will invest more than $100,000 into the city building and property. With plans to renovate four bed and breakfast units, the restaurant/bar, and a 2,500-square-foot unused hangar, RCP is bringing life back to this historic former blimp base.

Mike Reinman, owner of Redwood Coast Properties, is enthusiastic about the plans. "It has been a pleasure working with Eureka staff on this project. We appreciate their enthusiasm in preserving the airport's historic character while repurposing it for public use."

RCP plans to offer room specials in conjunction with existing Samoa Drag Strip events.

First Ward Eureka City Councilmember Marian Brady states, "It's another exciting venture for the city to lease out the Samoa Airport B&B property for a fully functioning fly-in, drive-to, or even bike-to tourist accommodation in the near future. I applaud the plan to include the current use as a drag strip as an attraction to bring aficionados of racing to stay at the B&B. Planning to ensure the compatibility of the two uses is a way to make a success of both."

Reinman plans to sublease the restaurant/bar and hanger, partner with a kayak and bike rental operator and work with the city to add picnic tables and park-style barbecues. "We envision a location where locals and visitors can stay, have a meal, grill their own oysters, picnic and enjoy the bay."

Richard Stenger, Media and Marketing Manager of the Humboldt County Convention and Visitors Bureau is excited about the project, "Planes, kayaks, oysters, a hangar and a place to overnight near the bay. What isn't there to love?"

Former Arcata City Councilmember Alex Stillman appreciates the multi-use aspect of the project, "Whether you ride, fly, drive or boat, there is now a perfect place to stay at the tip of the Samoa peninsula. It feels isolated yet minutes from Eureka and provides opportunities to hike, bird or attend special events on the strip."

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Orion | Wing boats recover America's new spaceship

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lines to the Orion capsule, bobbing gently in the sea.

"All inflatable parts are made proudly here in Arcata, California," affirmed David Kelly, Wing Inflatables' vice president of sales.

After capture, Orion was returned to the USS Anchorage, then brought to shore for a two-week journey back to Cape Canaveral for analysis.

The U.S. has continuously had crew on the ISS in orbit for the last 15 years, and is actively pursuing re-entry to manned space flight after the retirement of the Space Shuttle fleet in 2011.

Russia charges the U.S. $70 million per round trip to the ISS. Efforts to restore domestic space service keep those funds at home.

Contrary to popular misapprehension, all of the space budget is spent right here on planet Earth – and creating skilled jobs for workers like the ones who built the boats that plucked Orion from the Pacific.

Union | Premium content

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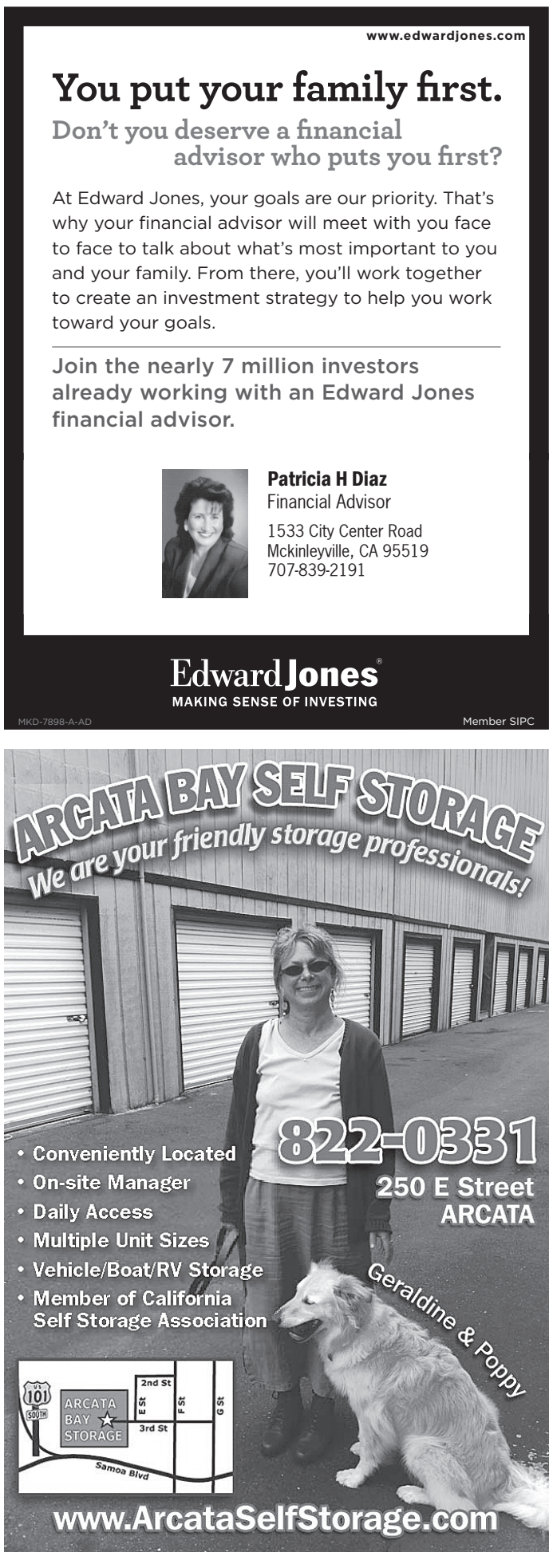
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Riding in style



CLIPPETY-CLOP Attendees at Friday's Arts! Arcata enjoyed free carriage rides around the Plaza, courtesy Barney the gray Percheron horse and Brendan Fearon of Old Town Carriage Co. Arcata Main Street provided the service, which, acting as a force multiplier to the dazzling Season of Wonder and Light treatment of Arcata's downtown, imparted a serious Mary Poppinsy effect to the Plaza experience. Above, Arcata Main Street Boardmembers David Neyra and Nick Matthews try out the carriage. Photos by KLH | Union



Isn't it Loo-vely?

MEASURE PEE After years of debate, protests and hortatory subjunctives heard in the City Council Chamber, the long-yearned-for Portland Loo was christened at the corner of Eighth and F streets Tuesday, Dec. 9. Above, Councilmembers Alex Stillman, Susan Ornelas, Mark Wheetley and Michael Winkler at the ribbon cutting. The loo is open 24 hours per day, and offers an airy, almost al fresco eliminative experience. Matt Filar | Union



Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

FOLLOW A STAR Members of the Trinity Baptist Church on Alliance Road in Arcata created a living nativity scene last Friday and Saturday nights. It was a drive-through event, with motorists staying warm in their cars as they admired the crèche. The nativity scene celebrated the birth of Jesus and included Mary, Joseph, Jesus in a manger, the three wise men, an angel and livestock. The nativity scene has become an annual event for the Arcata church. Matt Filar | Union

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Seaside village gets down to business

Benjamin Fordham
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TRINIDAD – Following months of proposals, appeals and resubmissions, the Trinidad City Council has approved plans for coastal grasslands and viewshed restoration on the bluffs above Trinidad State Beach.

The modified project, which will be carried out by the California Department of Parks and Recreation, was approved by the council during its Dec. 10 meeting.

The phased five-year project will remove non-natives such as Monterey cypress, English ivy, and Scotch Broom from State Park land overlooking the popular beach.

Originally approved by the Trinidad Planning Commission in July, the project was stalled when former Trinidad resident Kimberly Tays appealed the decision to the council.

Tays objected to the removal of some native species that were included in the original plan, and raised concerns that the project amounted to a publicly-funded viewshed restoration for residents along the bluffs, including Trinidad Planning Commissioner Mike Pinske.

"The applicant really revised the project significantly in response to [Tays'] appeal," said Trinidad City Manager Dan Berman. "They ended up deciding to scale back the project quite a bit."

Berman said that State Parks still has plans to remove additional vegetation, but would do so under a separate filing. Tays has moved out of the state since the original appeal, and the Environmental Protection Information Center (EPIC) has been acting as an interface between Tays, State Parks and the Trinidad City Council. EPIC Executive Director Natalynne DeLapp said that State Parks representatives were amenable to their suggestions, including the clarification of some elements of the plan.

"We are pleased with the result," DeLapp said. "Now we have a very clear project."

"It highlights the importance of citizens being involved in the process," said DeLapp of the revised proposal. "It's so important that people are engaged and aware of what's going on in the environment around them."

The project will also help address concerns over transient camps located in the vegetation directly behind Trinidad Elementary School. "That's not the focus, but there will be work done in that area as part of the project," Berman said.

An open seat

In election news, the county has certified the city's November's election results, which will see Dwight Miller and Jim Baker return to the city council. Richard Johnson, Chuck Vanderpool and Diane Stockness were reappointed to the Trinidad Planning Commission.

The council is still down a member, however, as the Dec. 10 meeting was the last for Councilmember Tom Davies, whose term expired and who did not seek reelection. "[The councilmembers] have been beating the bushes trying to find someone to serve," Berman said. "We're hoping we can get that done between now and January."

Water plant

The council also discussed changes to the city's new water treatment plant design, which will see some funds redirected away from nonessential features to more important equipment, such as the purchase of a Vactor vacuum excavator and trailer.

The council approved a letter to the Trinidad Rancheria, which is sharing the cost and also uses the treatment plant, requesting approval of the changes. "We think that this is going to save some electricity at the plant," Berman said of the project, noting that the chlorination process will also be improved. "We really appreciate that the Trinidad Rancheria has been able to contribute some funding to this project."

Crime report

The council also received its regular Law Enforcement Report from sheriff's deputy Pamela Wilcox, who is assigned to the city. Some highlights from the past month include a call about an incorrigible juvenile, numerous vehicle break-ins, calls about gas siphoning, a custody dispute, and feces thrown at a neighbor at Hidden Creek Campground and RV Park.

Business | Money for small startups

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technical and business planning assistance. Then the county would help "with the process of getting a loan," Mushrush continued.

Answering a question from Supervisor Virginia Bass, Mushrush said the combo program is well-suited for people who are trying to start so-called "cottage industry" businesses out of their homes.

The county has had a business loan program for many years but Mushrush said the last time a loan was awarded was in 2002.

Supervisor Virginia Bass was pleased to see the dual-phased program's launch.

"It's been 12 years that we've done this so it's nice to see that we're able to start getting involved again," she said. "We talk about economic development and these may be small opportunities but if we haven't been offering them, it seems like a good way to move forward."

Mushrush advised that the program also carries some risk. She said that "the scary thing for your board" is that the state will be amending its CDBG guidelines to meet federal law.

The CDBG program is funded by the federal government, with local allotments administrated by the state. According to federal law, "If you make a loan to a private individual and it goes south, you have to pay it back with something other than CDBG funding," Mushrush said. "That's a federal law that the state has ignored – but they're now taking money back from people."

Supervisors were not discouraged by the liability potential, however, and unanimously approved the guidelines for the new program.

A Navy aircraft carrier USS Bennington is expected to arrive here at 10 a.m. tomorrow with at least 16 helicopters, medicine, food and other supplies to aid stricken areas in the county.

– The Humboldt Times, Dec. 24, 1964



NEW LOOK IN THE CHAMBER **The new array of Arcata leaders, including City Manager Karen Diemer, City Councilmembers Susan Ornelas, Mark Wheetley, Mayor Michael Winkler, Sofia Pereira and Vice Mayor Paul Pitino.** PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION

City Council | 'What would Alex do?'

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activists, her record of advocacy over the years may be unparalleled. A sampling of Stillman's civic activities were documented in a Certificate of Appreciation awarded her by the city at the meeting.

After a reading of the award and a standing ovation, Stillman thanked the crowd and suggested that she might be back for a fifth term in 15 years, when she will be 90 years of age.

She read a reflective piece noting highlights of her career, ad libbing a humorous jab at a reporter for lack of enthusiasm for twerking. Stillman went on to thank her family and citizens. "It takes a team to make things happen, and we've had a great run," she said.

Noting the recent accomplishments of the McDaniel Slough Restoration Project and Arcata Ridge Trail, Stillman awarded new City Manager Karen Diemer a framed aerial photo of McDaniel Slough taken by photographer Ellen Land-Weber.

A succession of citizens then stepped up to the podium to acknowledge Stillman and thank her for her contributions to the community. One was John Woolley, representing former City Councilmember Wes Chesbro, who served on the council with Stillman from 1974 to 1980 and who, coincidentally, also leaves his office as a member of the State Assembly this week. Woolley offered a certificate honoring Stillman and read a letter from Chesbro, thanking her for her "huge impact on the city, the county and the entire region."

Another former City Councilmember and the second woman ever elected to it, Julie Fulkerson, thanked Stillman for wielding her influence to benefit the county, and for her record of accomplishment in Arcata. "When you look at the economic development aspects, the Main Street, the preservation of historic homes and buildings, the marsh, the trails, the potential of a trail almost to Eureka, the list is vast and you've been a part of all those things," Fulkerson said.

Appearing hand-in-hand, Arcata Chamber Director Sandy Scott and Arcata Main Street Director Vicky Joyce each thanked Stillman. "Any success I've had at the Chamber has been on the shoulders of Alex Stillman," Scott said. "You are my model," Joyce said, "I think, 'What would Alex do?'"

Third District Supervisor Mark Lovelace called Stillman's record "remarkable," noted her inexhaustible energy and said that "working with you makes everyone else want to do more."



HER CATA **Alex Stillman was honored with a large cake depicting a historic craftsman-style Arcata house, of the type Stillman has worked to help preserve.**

"You're a gem," Lovelace said. "You're just so invaluable to our community."

Former City Councilmember Dick Wild also served with Stillman back in the day, during what he called "an interesting and tumultuous time."

"You are an icon," Wild told Stillman. "I don't know of anyone that is more dedicated than you are in preserving the lifeblood of Arcata."

Stillman tried to end the stream of sometimes tearful encomiums, saying she wanted to see the "new electeds" take their seats and invoking the promise of cake for all afterward. But it was not to be.

Another in the teeming swarm of former councilmembers stepped up to speak. "My name's Bob and I'm a plumber," said former Councilmember Bob Ornelas. "I just want to thank you, thank you, thank you," he said.

Former Councilmember Connie Stewart, describing herself as a "lowly citizen of Arcata," reminisced about Stillman's early and constructive influence. ""Thank you Alex, for being my mentor; thank you for everything you've done for the city; thank you for being you." Stewart volunteered to manage Stillman's 2029 re-election campaign.

With that, Stillman was awarded her certificate, and City Clerk Bridget Dory swore in new Councilmembers Pereira and Pitino.

After Stillman stepped down from the dais, Pereira took her seat and Pitino took the vacant seat.

Councilmember Susan Ornelas then moved to appoint Councilmember Michael Winkler as mayor. Pitino offered his support, noting that he is serving just two years and stating that all councilmembers should have the chance to be Arcata's mayor. "I'd like to make sure we don't shut anybody out," he said.

Winkler was then unanimously anointed mayor.

After Winkler took former Mayor Wheetley's middle seat, it was time to name a vice mayor. After an awkward pause during which no one spoke, Pitino said, "I could go ahead and nominate myself."

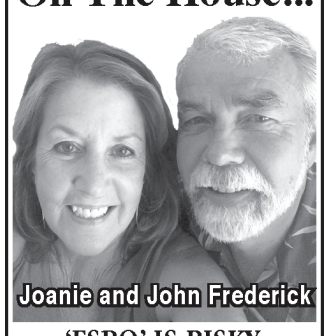
Pereira then nominated Pitino for vice mayor, and, seconded by Wheetley, Pitino was unanimously elected vice mayor by the council.

Appointments to committees and commissions were then decided. Among other appointments, Pereira will represent Arcata on the Humboldt Waste Management Authority, and Pitino on the Arcata-Camoapa Sister City Committee.

Winkler said the city shouldn't appoint a representative to the Indian Gaming Commission, but the council chose not to withdraw from that body pending a possible agendized discussion at a future date.

After adjourning, present, former and future councilmembers plus citizens, lowly and otherwise, gathered in City Hall's lobby and enjoyed cake together.

On The House...



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Public Safety



CRASH TEST SMARTIES Classmates and crashmates Alia Brookshire and Abbey Lovelace. Photo by Mark Lovelace

Girls survive 101 crash

Mad River Union

ARCATA – Abigail Lovelace, daughter of Third District Supervisor Mark Lovelace, was mildly injured in a vehicle collision on U.S. Highway 101 Friday afternoon.

Lovelace was a passenger in a 1990 Subaru driven by Alia Brookshire. At about 12:42 p.m., the two were making a left turn onto the Indianola Cutoff from the southbound lane of U.S. Highway 101. They were struck by a 1996 Toyota driven by Michael Enis of Eureka, with Alan Krause of Eureka in the passenger seat.

Lovelace was taken to the hospital. Her father, Mark, said she and Brookshire are classmates at College of the Redwoods, and were headed to a final exam at an instructor's home.

"They checked her out, and she'll be released shortly," Lovelace said shortly before her release. Others involved in the accident were unharmed.

Abigail Lovelace occasionally serves as a proofreader and Police Log writer for the *Mad River Union*.





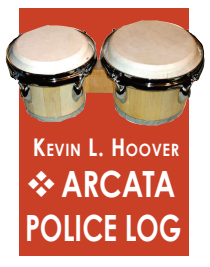






RIDERS ON A STORM A tree that split into two directions damaged a carport roof and knocked out power in Arcata early Thursday morning, Dec. 11, around 6 a.m. Top left, Chelsea Simpson, who lives in the apartment complex near the corner of L.K. Wood Boulevard and California Avenue, said she awoke when the transformer was hit by the tree and the tree crashed into the carport. Her roommate's car was slightly damaged by the falling drywall. No damage occurred to Blondie's next door. PG&E personnel were on the scene quickly and said they would repair the electrical damage as quickly as possible. Customers were also without electricity in Trinidad, parts of McKinleyville and Fieldbrook during last week's storm. From Wednesday, Dec. 10 through Friday, Dec. 12, the National Weather Service measured 2.86 inches of rain at Woodley Island in Eureka. Left, the U.S. Coast Guard took advantage of the high surf to do some training last week at the entrance to Humboldt Bay. Top left, HSU plumber John Smith inspects a manhole during the storm. Right, Jessica Congdon tries to stay dry. Tree photos top right by Mark Larson; Top left and bottom right by BJR | Union; Coast Guard photo by JD | Union

Sidewalk-slumping king sings



• **Thursday, November 14 9:59 a.m.** Someone locked a sweet $1,300 bicycle on the Plaza at night and expected it to be there when they got back.

11:31 a.m. A man lost his composure and threw a bottle of hair conditioner at his girlfriend, who was unharmed. He was admonished, told to settle down and behave like a proper gentleman, and he agreed to do so.

Noon While two 14th Street residents were upstairs, a thief was downstairs, in their home, stealing two laptop computers. They didn't hear a thing.

• **Tuesday, November 19 9:13 a.m.** A man wearing a Burger King crown positioned himself outside an H Street mortgage office and burst into what might generously be described as song. Possibly citing the privilege of royalty, he lay his regal torso upon the pavement and persisted with the onerous aria despite entreaties to depart. Police found him not intoxicated, just drunk with power – the power to annoy.

10:19 p.m. A California Street resident lost $400 in clothing from a supposedly secure laundry room.

• **Thursday, November 20 11:28 p.m.** A caller reported that a "scruffy" man with long blond hair and a leather jacket approached him at 14th and H streets, started talking to him and then stabbed him in the hand with a syringe. he believed he had been injected with something, felt "weird," but declined medical assistance.

• **Saturday, November 22 11:12 a.m.** A woman left a purse in an unlocked car on the Plaza.

1:40 p.m. A purse disappeared from a locked car in Adams Court. The thief pushed the window down, took it and soon had a grand time with the credit cards at the Eureka Wal-Mart and McDonald's.

• **Sunday, November 23 7:34 a.m.** An amputee at a Valley West restaurant requested assistance in putting his special boot on.

• **Monday, November 24 8:14 a.m.** Some guy used the women's locker room at the hospital to shower and change.

3:25 p.m. Pot and cig smokers were cited at the Skate Park.

6:19 p.m. A B Street resident reported that someone entered her home during the night and took a dump by her bed.

10:54 p.m. A man wearing a sweatshirt came to the front door of a Zelia Court house, saying he was looking for "Sunset School," and asking if the resident would sell him another sweatshirt because he was cold.



News Item: Not everyone was impressed with the rainstorm.

Ummm... what did I just see?



• **Saturday, December 6 3:20 p.m.** A man was seen taking donated food items from a holiday donation bin.

• **Monday, December 8 10:02 p.m.** Custodial staff reported a male non-student loitering in the men's room for an extended period of time.

5:36 p.m. A vehicle seen continually parking all evening in the 20 minute parking space was reported to the University Police Department. An officer contacted the driver and issued a citation.

• **Thursday, December 11 6:54 a.m.** Blown power pole transformer lines down and on fire caught the attention of passersby.

12:54 p.m. Housing staff reported seeing a student walking past with a large machete.

1:57 p.m. A dog running the Redwood Bowl football field was only conceptually accompanied by its owner, who sat on the 50-yard line.



SANDBAGGERY Arcata's Public Works Dept. put out sandbags for citizens in Sunny Brae Center last week. KLH | Union

Ruth Lake is full

Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District

RUTH LAKE – Ruth Lake, Humboldt County's primary water reservoir, was declared 100 percent full by water district officials on Thursday, Dec. 11 during last week's big storm.

Carol Rische, General Manager for Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD) said, "We are happy to say that Ruth Lake went from 69 percent to 100 percent capacity since the end of October 2014. Ruth Lake typically fills during the December – January time frame. This is the 15th earliest fill date in the district's history. We know from past experience that Ruth Lake fills from just a few good storms. The latest series of storms are just what we needed to fill the reservoir. Last season given the drought, Ruth Lake filled much later on March 6, which was the second latest fill date."

Rische added, "We are very happy with Humboldt County's current condition and hope that other reservoirs continue to fill for the benefit of California's urban, agricultural and environmental interests who are still suffering from the drought."

HBMWD provides water to the following communities: City of Arcata, City of Eureka, City of Blue Lake, Fieldbrook-Glendale Community Services District, Humboldt Community Services District, Manila Community Services District and McKinleyville Community Services District.



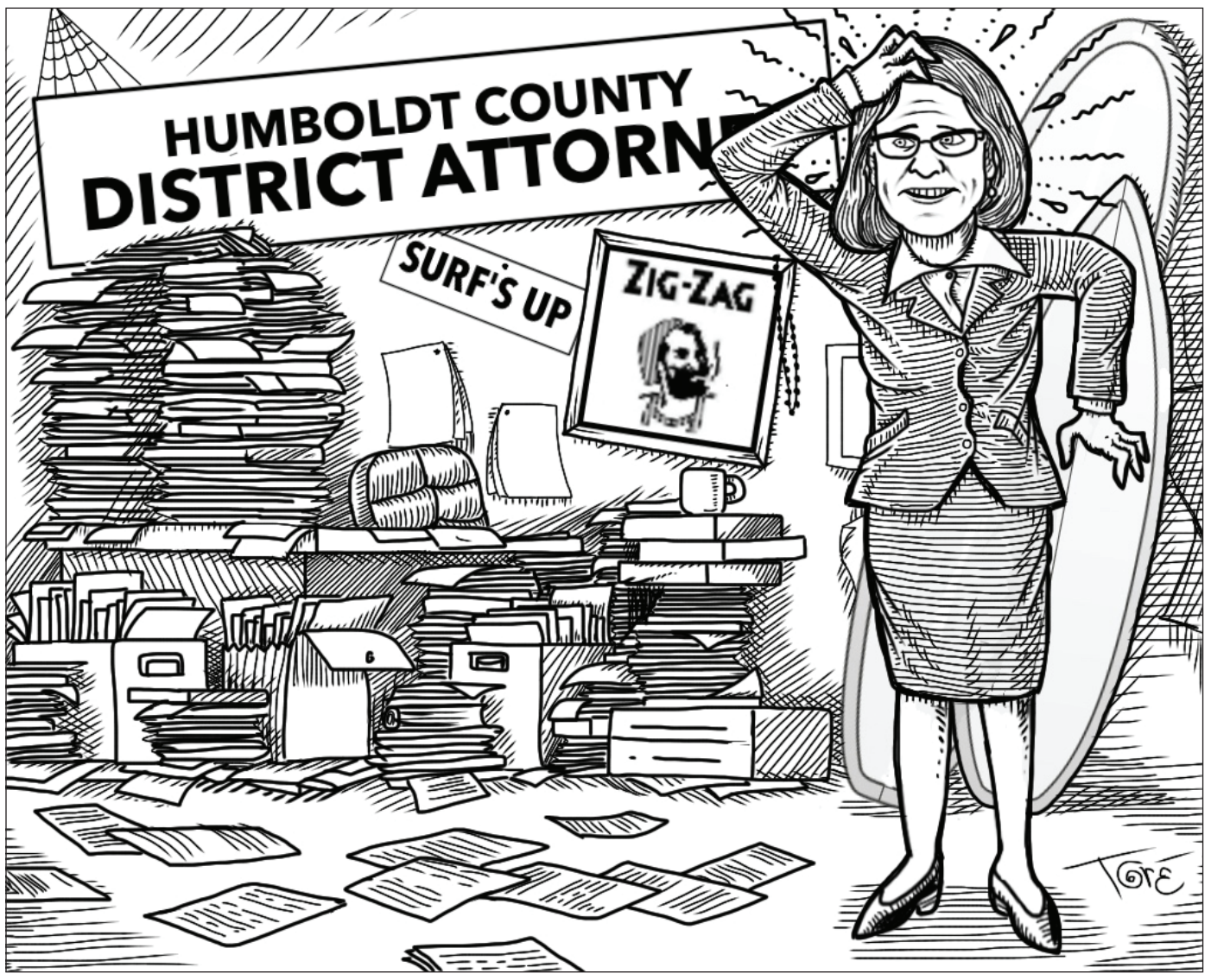






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OPINION



News Item: Incoming District Attorney Maggie Fleming to clean up DA's Office, literally.

Spacefaring Arcata

Arcatans are sometimes accused of being space cadets, and now, that's a matter of historical record. Arcata industry – Wing Inflatables – created the watercraft used to recover the Orion spaceship from the Pacific Ocean two weeks ago. The back door of the Wing Inflatables shop where the recovery craft were built views the Old Creamery building, where yesterday's industry dwelled. Arcata is always adapting and evolving.

❖ EDITORIAL

All of NASA costs the U.S. taxpayer one-half cent of each tax dollar. It should be a whole penny. Then we could fully fund the missions that are telling us how the universe is constructed, where we came from and who we are in the vast ocean of space. (By way of comparison, military is 25 cents, while interest on the federal debt eats up 14 cents.)

Further, the civilian space program is peaceful and dedicated to knowledge. It draws the nations of the world together to do their best and most wondrous work. Together we've roamed the surface of Mars, orbited a comet and will soon get the first images of Pluto, among many other accomplishments.

Our future, and the only hope for our survival and that of our original planet, is as a solar system-based civilization. Eventually, we'll expand to inhabit many more of our nearby planets and create habitat of our own making.

Someday, we'll wonder why we didn't get all the smokestacks off of Earth earlier. Earth is our womb, our garden, our nurterer – not a place you wring out for every last resource and pave to infinity.

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Opinion

Sure hope that albino avocado isn't GMO

Down on the corner out in the street
Willy and the poor boys are playin'
Bring a nickel, tap your feet.
Rooster hits the washboard and people just got to smile.
Blinkey thumps the gut bass and solos for a while.
Poorboy twangs the rhythm out on his kalamazoo,
Willy, goes into a dance and doubles on kazoo.
– "Willie and the Poor Boys," John C. Fogerty

Just what we've been lookin' for – something to make our year-round Farmers' Market complete. Yeah, we had a live one again last week – a lone singer with guitar and amps and it was cool, more please. The market increased in size and went all the way down Eighth Street to H Street. Perfect day, perfect harvest and a great crowd. Feel free to come and play with the crowd and buy *local* goodies in season.

The prehistoric plant on the southwest corner of the Plaza is in sleep mode again for the second time this year as the leaves died off, so I checked out the one at Fire Arts Studio on South G Street and it's stressed also but not as bad. Willowy shoots coming up where the lemon tree and artichokes used to be, but there is now nada on the northeast corner of the Plaza. Seems Gaia's trying to make a comeback as she defies our rules.



❖ EYE OF THE BEHOLDER

Oz and Harmony (service dog) were back in town for the weekend and Harmony is getting huge and is still cool, calm, friendly and follows instructions to the T.

I often walk by the Arcata Ball Park on F Street to watch whatever is happening, and this time of year it's bird play when no one is looking. The gulls like the white plastic, as it holds puddles they can soak in. Look to da Loo right across the street on the corner of Eighth Street in the parking lot, now installed and ready to go. Now if we can keep it cool it will be a boon for all the activities we have goin' on without having to rent a porta-potty each time there is an event. Also a place for those that need it and don't know where to look as most places say "no public restrooms."

Murphy's Market in Sunny Brae is usually busy but it was early lunchtime last week and calm. Remember to get some of the deli yummys for din-din. Now they say that all the Murphy's Markets have the same menu, but they don't have the same cooks and this one is my favorite one for take-out and the prices are OK. Then there is the produce department that is beyond perfect and easy to shop. Also, a restroom without having to get a pin number, just follow instructions – leave your cart and backpack outside and remember to flush and turn out the light when you're done after you washed your hands.

When you recycle your garbage in the yard, oftentimes it gets spread around. I have about a hundred avocado shoots coming up everywhere and the other day I noticed that one of them is an albino – where did that come from – GMO? – sure hope not.

On the corner of H and Sixth streets on the northwestside there are lavender heather hedges in full bloom now. It is a pleasure to walk by and pet them and then take a pinch of rosemary round the corner, and smell it for a smile and positive energy.

According to the October/November *National Wildlife* magazine on page 12, NWF has brokered a landmark agreement to help protect the North Atlantic Right whales by using whale-friendly wind power. See *nwf.org/offshorewind* to find out more and download *Catching the Wind,* showing the progress to date. Also on pages 25 and 26 there is a picture of the spring migration of 600,000 sandhill cranes as they stopped to feed in Nebraska along the Big Bend stretch of the Platte River. Look familiar?

The Magic Marsh was incredible last Sunday and many were out to enjoy it and take advantage of the moving tides. Egrets were in mud puddles everywhere instead of the water ponds and finally some herons were out and feeding. The bridge over the edge of the inlet café was a stop-and-watch for a while. The tide was leaving rapidly and the heavy breeze was making the water flop back in on top and causing a giant eddy between the RR bridge and that one. Noticed that the invisible man's shoes have disappeared, wonder where he went?

There is a new 2015 *Arcata Recreation Division Activity Guide* out there and they have done a good job informing us of everything available and in the center of the guide is an excellent map of all the parks and playgrounds.

Bev says KEET had a tribute to Bruce Springsteen Dec. 4 and it was three hours long and awesome. Hope it repeats so you can catch it.

Maybe it's time for a course correction

Bring fairness to mayoral selection

❖ LETTERS

On Tuesday, Dec. 9 the newly elected Arcata City Councilmembers were sworn into office. I knew that this would be an interesting meeting because my partner Paul Pitino was going to be sworn in and was going to state outwardly that he wanted the opportunity to be mayor during his short two-year term.

During Paul's council term from 2004 to 2008 Paul was not "allowed" or rather, selected to be mayor, although he would have made an excellent mayor then as he will during this current term. Traditionally, the council selects the mayor by nomination and then votes on the nominations.

I am amazed that this arcane mayor selection process has been allowed to go on for so long. Do I even need to spell out why this process needs to be changed? When it came time to select the mayor it was mentioned by Mayor Wheetley that it is always an awkward time. Yes, it is awkward because the selection process is blatantly unfair and I think everyone knows it.

Each councilmember has been elected by the citizens of Arcata and none of them should ever be judged to be more capable or important than another and to do so is a slap in the face to the citizens who elected that individual. It is simply bad politics. There is no reason why Arcata should not use a rotation that allows all councilmembers a term as mayor, although evidently there are some people that feel differently.

If in a rotation a councilmember is in line to be mayor and does not feel they will be able to handle the duties and the responsibilities of that position, of course they should turn it down. However, to allow their fellow councilmembers to make that decision for them is absurd.

There are two assignments that are automatically assigned to mayor per the City's protocol manual: the city liaison to Humboldt State University and council representative to Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG.) In recent years, there has been some trading off of these assignments allowing other councilmembers to hold them. The protocol manual does not give a lot of direction but it does direct these assignments to the mayor and they are some of the most important duties of being the mayor.

I don't know that I agree with these positions being traded away, even if it means that there is a lack of continuity. I don't see why the new mayor cannot be brought up to speed on whatever is being worked on, and it is important for there to be fresh perspectives brought in that rotating the mayor provides.

If you missed the meeting you may view it at *cityofarcata.org* under the category of "Council Meetings" then search for Dec. 9, 2014. It is a long meeting. The relevant parts to this letter are at 36 minutes and 105 minutes into the meeting.

It is my sincere hope that the mayor selection process will be reassessed soon by the council and changed to be an equitable and inclusive process that our city may be proud of. The happy ending to this story is that Paul was nominated by Sofia Pereira to be vice mayor and was voted in. Thank you.

Dana Quillman
Arcata

Sunny Brae bike trail a sensible addition

I strongly disagree with the tone and message of Uri Driscoll's column in last week's *Union*.

As a hiker and mountain biker, I support channeling the gravity crowd onto a more appropriate trail. I used to ride regularly on the Sunny Brae trail 20-plus years ago (before the city purchased it) until the unregulated high speed downhill cyclists made it seem dangerous to ride or walk uphill. Now that they have an outlet in the new trail, I can safely ride or walk up the revamped old trail – a wonderful improvement!

The mixed use trail model is getting long in the tooth and should evolve, as the City of Arcata is doing in the Sunny Brae Forest. Perhaps I would be more a fan of all users on the same trails if I belonged to the group to which all others are required to defer – the group whose animals are allowed to defecate, urinate and ride on, unfettered by the need to clean up after them.

As a hiker, being forced to stand off the trail while another user group trots by strikes me as un-egalitarian and is reminiscent of the serfs tugging at their forelocks while the mounted gentry rode by in medieval Europe.

Although I'm 60 years old and more of a cross-country bike rider and commuter, I really enjoy riding the new downhill trail. I find it to be more intermediate than "black diamond," and not particularly high speed. With the well-designed banked turns and technical features it makes 10 to 20 mph exciting.

A ride on this new trail is over quite quickly and then it's back uphill at 5 mph for another go-round. I count three alternative routes back to the top with no user conflicts in sight. Thanks to the city, the trail builders and the fund raisers – well done!

I also abhor the implied concept that the Northern California Horseman's Association fundraising efforts should have resulted in their having veto power over any aspect of the city's trail plan. As an Arcata resident and homeowner I would say to you "our trails are not for sale to your special interest group."

And while I don't know if this was indeed an "historic horse trail," in more than two decades of use I have never seen a horse (or horse poop) on the Sunny Brae trail.

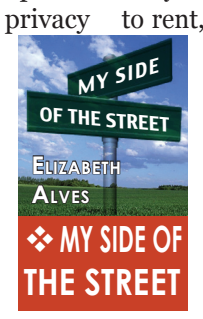
Steve Jones
Sunny Brae

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It's a helluva loo, hence the hullaba-loo

After literally decades of hostile disagreement, Arcata finally has a public restroom in the downtown area. The new facility was dedicated last week in a light-hearted ceremony filled with humor. The futuristic structure doubles as public art.

It is supposed to be vandal-proof. The design provides enough privacy to preserve decency, but not enough to conceal bad conduct. A surveillance camera will monitor activity around it.



❖ MY SIDE OF THE STREET

In most places, there isn't a lot of controversy surrounding public restrooms. Eureka has some in the Old Town area and the Woodley Island Marina. Often, a chamber of commerce or merchants' association will provide this basic service.

So why did it take so long in Arcata? Small towns typically have a couple of powerful groups with differing goals. Arcata passed polar opposites years ago, and now proudly sports a multiplayer scene where the casual observer needs a scorecard to keep up.

Allies on one issue might easily be sworn enemies on another. Opposition to a public restroom came from all directions. Some people thought it would draw more of the people I call hardcore homeless, who are so far gone they no longer even aspire to a decent life.

They hang around the Plaza for easy access to businesses that sell alcohol, crowds to panhandle from and camaraderie with others of their own kind. Businesses don't allow them to use their restrooms and they don't feel welcome in City Hall, which includes the Arcata Police Department office. Alleys and the sides of buildings serve as their restrooms until they become so demoralized that they no long bother.

They smell bad. They and their surroundings are contaminated with human waste. Their public nuisance quotient is high.

That's why I've always thought a few portable toilets would be a good deal. They cost just a few hundred dollars each to rent, require no plumbing and can be easily moved from one location to another. One of the complaints in trying to decide where the permanent toilet would be placed was that each location impacted the closest businesses.

Portables could have been used to test various spots with no long term commitment. They could even have been deployed on a rotating basis, in a corner of the Plaza this week, in a city parking lot a block away next week and at Eighth and F streets the week after. The upfront financial commitment is low and it only takes a phone call to increase or decrease the number of units.

But portable toilets are not attractive to shoppers and tourists, and another significant group of stakeholders wanted a public restroom for them. Everybody needs to go several times a day, and downtown merchants and restaurant owners want them to stay in the area and spend more money. Those folks don't want to make their own restrooms available, but for years they failed to agree on a joint effort to support a public solution.

When the Portland Loo was finally chosen, it was just the beginning of another long wrangle over location. Places were proposed, studied and rejected. This one was too close to a business, that one was too far from the Plaza and another one was too public.

If this public restroom isn't a success, it's going to be an expensive failure. Adding the purchase price, site preparation, installation of water and sewer lines, maintenance and incidental costs leads to a total of more than $115,000 for the first year – serious money. But at least somebody finally did something, and it's a start.

The Portland Loo is designed to be accessible to those using wheelchairs or walkers, and it is large enough to accommodate a stroller or backpack. The real question is whether the hardcore homeless will use it, and if they do, whether shoppers and tourists will be repulsed by that. It's too soon to tell, but I still believe a few discretely located portables would be a good supplement.

The hardcore homeless are attracted to the Plaza for some of the same reasons as everyone else, but businesses which sell alcohol are high on the list. Efforts to ban drinking alcohol and smoking outdoors in the downtown area have mostly displaced those activities into residential neighborhoods. It's past time for businesses which profit from dysfunction to step up and help find solutions.

I won't be holding my breath. It's all part of the "privatize the profit and leave the public on the hook for the results" thinking which loosely describes many supporters of private enterprise. It's the opposite of what is often called Kumbaya philosophy, which encourages everyone to be friendly and considerate of others. One thing you can say about public life in Arcata, it's always entertaining.

Elizabeth Alves wonders what the yak thinks about public restrooms. Comments and suggestions are welcome care of the Union *or to* mysidestreet@gmail.com.

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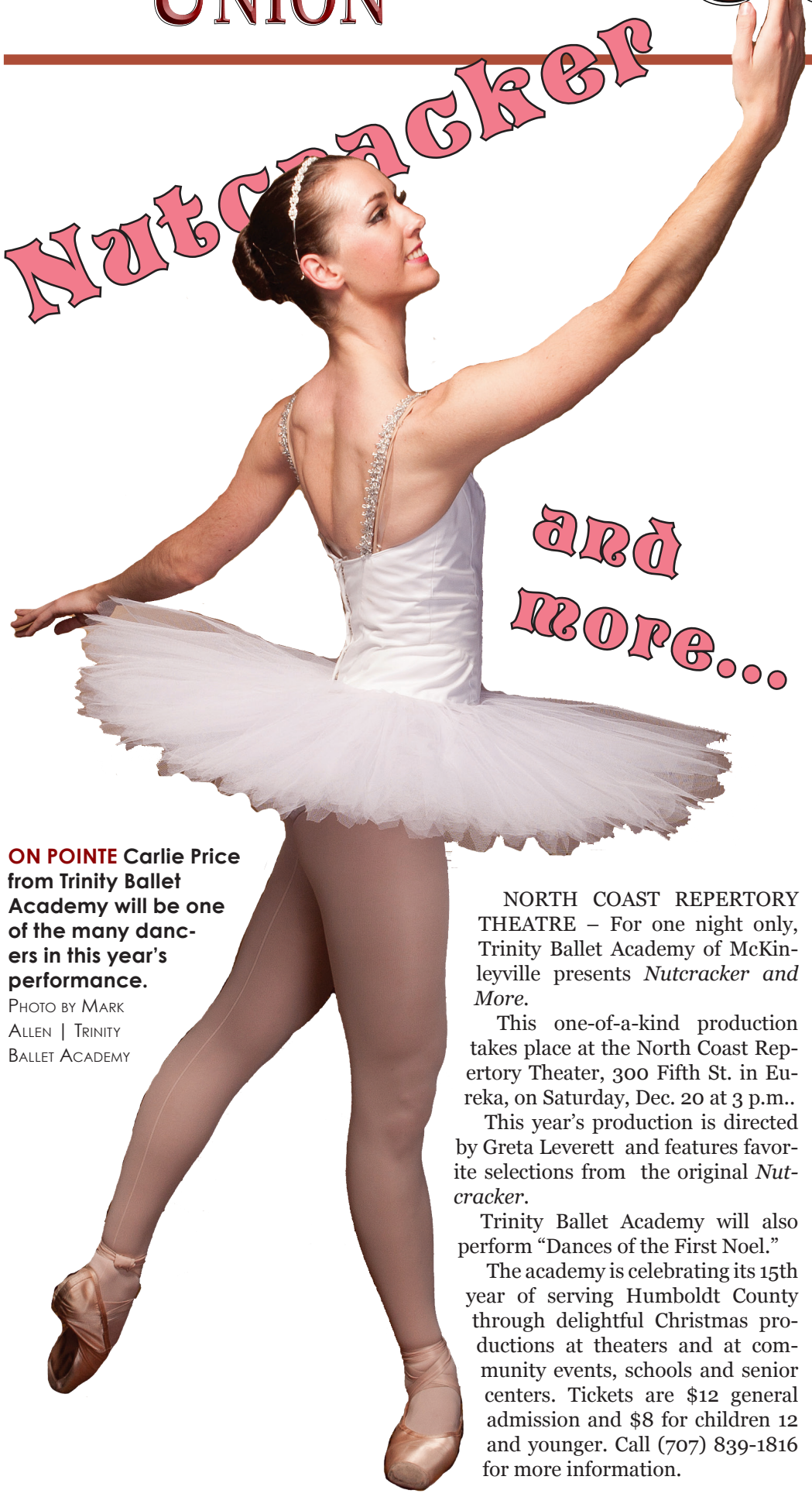


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Section B

December 17, 2014



ON POINTE Carlie Price from Trinity Ballet Academy will be one of the many dancers in this year's performance.

Photo by Mark Allen | Trinity Ballet Academy

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE – For one night only, Trinity Ballet Academy of McKinleyville presents *Nutcracker and More*.

This one-of-a-kind production takes place at the North Coast Repertory Theater, 300 Fifth St. in Eureka, on Saturday, Dec. 20 at 3 p.m..

This year's production is directed by Greta Leverett and features favorite selections from the original *Nutcracker*.

Trinity Ballet Academy will also perform "Dances of the First Noel."

The academy is celebrating its 15th year of serving Humboldt County through delightful Christmas productions at theaters and at community events, schools and senior centers. Tickets are $12 general admission and $8 for children 12 and younger. Call (707) 839-1816 for more information.

Holiday wine helper



Growing up, we always had the family holiday feasts at our house. It was a big house with a big table so we could accommodate all who would travel near and far. At the end of the meal, my brother, sister and I were required to dutifully clean the entire mess up, but that is another story in which my brother walks back and forth at a hurried pace from the kitchen to the dining room carrying the same stack of plates, so as to look busy.

The wine served at these occasions, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas, was without exception Lancer's Semi-Sparkling. If you recall, Lancer's came in painted forest green and brick red, somewhat stubby-shaped bottles, not expensive-looking and elegant like a high-shouldered 750 mL. But, they did have a cork (I think) and my parents thought it was living large.

A few weeks ago, I led a seminar in Arcata titled Holiday Wine Picks. The following is a distillation of parts of the lecture. As a consumer, choosing wines, especially good-value wines, can be challenging. Here are some tips to help you stretch your wine budget.

White Wine Wisdom

The basic rule of dry white wine is that most of the world's whites are best when imbibed young. Taking premium, oaked Chardonnay out of this rant, the majority of Sauvignon Blanc, Chenin Blanc, Albariño, Pinot Gris/Grigio, Verdicchio, Grüner Veltliner, Vinho Verde, etc., are stainless steel cold-fermented then cold-stabilized (to insure a sediment- and particulate-free wine) and soon after, bottled. If you buy these varieties stick with 2013s and if they are from the Southern Hemisphere (New Zealand, Australia, South America) I recommend you reach for the 2014s. There are a lot of 2012s and, unfortunately, 2011s still on the shelves that are significantly reduced in price. Don't fall for it. By now, these wines are displaying old fruit flavors and the acidity is waning fast. Old flabby fruit is no bueno.

Red Wine Rules

Generally speaking, I recommend that the safest good-value red picks are current release (2009 to 2013) Zinfandels, Zinfandel blends and Pinot Noirs. Inexpensive Rhône, young fruity Burgundy, Beaujolais and Chinon are also excellent choices. As a gift to the wine collector, a premium newer release Cabernet Sauvignon is a fine choice. However, for your special dinner or party, choosing that same Cab to pour is a waste of money. It's hardly ready for prime time with its tongue-twisting tannins and clobbering, un-integrated oak elements.

Here are some of the wines we tasted during the seminar and a sprinkling of others I recommend. All are under $30 and available from local retailers.

- NV (non-vintage) Sommariva Prosecco di Conegliano-Valdobbiadene Superiore. Dry, sparkling. Low alcohol (10.5 percent), good-value bubbles. Arcata Co-op – $14.99.
- NV Sonoma County Piper Sonoma Brut. Sparkling. Safeway – $9.99.
- 2014 or 2013 Marlborough Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc. Costco – $9.99 for a limited time.
- 2013 Humboldt County Sun Valley Vineyards Sémillon. Dry, white. Arcata Co-op and Wildberries Marketplace (under the Star Gazer label) – around $12.
- 2013 Atlas Peak Napa Valley Antares Pinot Noir. Libation – $28. This Pinot Noir usually retails in the $30s. Libation did a 10-case buy in order to price it lower.
- 2012 Mendocino County Briceland Vineyards Zinfandel. Arcata Co-op, Eureka Natural Foods and Myrtlewood Liquors – $19 to $22.
- 2012 Tarima Hill Monastrell aka Mouvèdre (this Spanish red release is comparable to a ripe, jammy California Zinfandel). Libation - $18.

Pam Long is a Eureka resident who worked in the Sonoma County wine industry for the past decade. She is currently working on achieving her Master of Wine diploma. You can find her weekly wine blog at thewinedummy.wordpress.com.

❖ STUDENT PERFORMANCE

A symphony of stories for all ages

ARCATA PLAYHOUSE – Join the Arcata Arts Institute (AAI) for its theatre's winter performance, "A Symphony of Stories: An Evening for the Young and the Young at Heart."

AAI performance artists have prepared an evening of storytelling accompanied by live, original music. The performances are appropriate for all ages; however, there are some stories that may have dark themes.

The Arcata Arts Institute is a "school within a school" for advanced art study at Arcata High School. The program provides an interdisciplinary, pre-professional arts program, visual, performing and theater arts, within an exemplary, comprehensive public high school.

The performance takes place Thursday, Dec. 18 at 5:30 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse, located at 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata.

Tickets are $5 for adults, $3 for children 10 and younger.



SNAP LIKE THIS AAI students rehearse their upcoming performance.

Submitted photo

You can never have too much *Nutcracker*

Bayside Ballet

BAYSIDE – Bayside Ballet presents the first of what they plan to be an annual production of the holiday classic *The Nutcracker*.

Join Clara on her journey where she battles the Rat King and his army, meets the Snow Queen and King and watches twirling snowflakes dance a magical waltz under the falling snow before entering the enchanted Land of Sweets, where the Sugar Plum Fairy presents dancers from around the world.

This local production features a cast of all ages who promise a spectacular performance to remember.

Bayside Ballet's *The Nutcracker* is being performed at Humboldt State University's Van Duzer Theater in Arcata. on Saturday, Dec. 20 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 21 at 1 p.m.

Kids of all ages are invited to take pictures with the cast after the 1 p.m. matinee performances and enjoy a Sugar Plum Fairy treat.

Tickets are available at online at Brown Paper Tickets and in Arcata at Wildberries Marketplace, Threadbare Dancewear and Coast Central Credit Union in the Uniontown Shopping Center.

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CALENDAR

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

❖ MUSIC

Randles, Labolle & Amirkhan 6 p.m., Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake • *Jazz.*

Aber Miller 6 p.m., Larrupin' Café, 1658 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad

Winter Concert 7 p.m., Van Duzer Theater, HSU, Arcata • *Join the ArMack Orchestra, Arcata High School Madrigal Choir and Concert Choir under the direction of Maestra Carol Jacobson for an evening of orchestral and madrigal music for the season, traditional carols and much more. Doors open 6:45 p.m. Homemade concessions available.*

Buddy Reed 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata

Jimi Jeff & The Gypsy Band 7 p.m., Central Station, 1631 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Blues Jam 8:30 p.m., Clam Beach Inn Digger Bar, 4611 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Whomp Whomp Wednesday 9:30 p.m., The Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata

Rude Lion Sound 10 p.m., Toby & Jack's, 764 Ninth St., Arcata

❖ DANCE

Salsa Night 9 p.m., Robert Goodman Wines, 937 I St., Arcata

❖ FILM

Sci-Fi Night X-mas Extravaganza 6 p.m., Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., Arcata • *Brace yourselves for this year's barrage of winter madness with a variety of 20- to 60-minute wacky, kooky, freaky and bizarre holiday-related films and strange giveaways. Doors open at 6 p.m., main feature starts at 7:30 p.m., cost is free with $5 minimum purchase of food or beverage and is all ages.*

❖ OTHER

Chanukah on the Plaza 5 p.m., Arcata Plaza, Arcata • *Celebrate Chanukah together! Experience the festival of lights and share in the spirit and joy. Event features lighting of a giant menorah, lively Chanukah music, a free raffle for a silver menorah, hot potato latkes, chocolate gelt and dreidels for all.*

Cribbage Tournament 6:45 p.m., Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

❖ MUSIC

Humboldt Ukulele Group 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy., Arcata • *A local ukulele group for all ages and abilities. Extra ukuleles always available.*

Compost Mountain Boys 6 p.m., Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake • *Bluegrass.*

Open Mic 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata

Claire Bent 7 p.m., Libation, 761 Eighth St., Arcata

Paula Jones & RLA Band 8 p.m., Redwood Curtain Brewery, 550 South G St., Arcata

Thursday Night Shake Up 8 p.m., Plaza Grill, 791 Eighth St., Arcata • *Party like your grandparents did with live music by Buddy Reed and the Rip It Ups.*

Karaoke with KJ Leonard 8 p.m., WAVE Lounge at Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake

Fourth Annual Holiday Party and Showcase 9 p.m., The Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata • *Featuring Dynasty One, Madi Simmons, Josephine Johnson, Jan Bramlett, Jeff Kelley and Leslie Quinn, Dan Seidel and Norm Crawford.*

DJ Itchie Fingaz 9 p.m., Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Kindred Spirits 9 p.m., Clam Beach Inn Digger Bar, 4611 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Roots and Culture Night 9 p.m., Robert Goodman Winery, 937 I St., Arcata

Karaoke with DJ Marv 9 p.m., Central Station, 1631 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Rude Lion Sound 9:30 p.m., Sidelines, 732 Ninth St., Arcata

❖ DANCE

Blues Night 8 p.m., Redwood Raks, 824 L St., Arcata

❖ THEATRE

A Symphony of Stories: An Evening for the Young and the Young at Heart 5:30 p.m., Arcata Playhouse, 1251 9th St., Arcata • *See page B1 for details.*

Pippi Longstocking Encore 7:30 p.m., Dell'Arte's Carlo Theatre, 131 H St., Blue Lake • *The classic Swedish story about a curious, rambunctious and strong girl who can't help but get into trouble.*

❖ OTHER

Trivia Night 8 p.m., Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

❖ MUSIC

Blue Lotus Jazz 5:30 p.m., Larrupin' Café, 1658 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad

JD Jeffries and Michael Stewart 6 p.m., Silver Lining, California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport, McKinleyville

No Good Redwood Ramblers 6 p.m., Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake • *Classic country covers.*

Terrapin Breeze 7 p.m., Westhaven Center for the Arts, 501 Westhaven Dr., Trinidad • *A benefit show for The Raven Project.*

Brian Post and Susie Laraine 7 p.m., Libation, 761 Eighth St., Arcata • *Piano and sax.*

Friday Night Music 7 to 9:30 p.m., Fieldbrook General Store, 4636 Fieldbrook Rd., McKinleyville

Huckleberry Flint 8 p.m., Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Arcata

Hookah Stew 9 p.m., Firewater Lounge at Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad • *Modern rock and pop.*

Kindred Spirits 9 p.m., Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake

Ultra Secret Good Guy Organization 9 p.m., Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Vintage Rock n Soul 9 p.m., Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake • *Classic rock.*

Karaoke 9 p.m., Central Station, 1631 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Rude Lion Sound 9:30 p.m., Toby & Jack's, 764 Ninth St., Arcata

High Crimes with Wrecks Goliath 10 p.m., The Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata

DJs 10 p.m., Sidelines, 732 Ninth St., Arcata

Blackalicious 10:30 p.m., Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., Arcata • *American hip-hop duo; $20.*

❖ DANCE

Soul Night Before Christmas 9 p.m., Humboldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata • *Matt & Adam jingle your soul; $5*

❖ THEATRE

Pippi Longstocking Encore 7:30 p.m., Dell'Arte's Carlo Theatre, 131 H St., Blue Lake • *See Thursday listing for details.*

❖ ART

McKinleyville Art Night 6 to 8 p.m., McKinleyville Shopping Center, McKinleyville

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

❖ MUSIC

Jim Silva 7 p.m., Libation, 761 Eighth St., Arcata • *Guitar.*

Good and Evil Twins Karaoke 8 p.m., Silver Lining, California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport, McKinleyville

Chris Parreira and Jeff Kelly 9 p.m., Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Hookah Stew 9 p.m., Firewater Lounge at Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad • *Modern rock and pop.*

Silver Hammer 9 p.m., Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake • *Beatles cover band.*

DJs 10 p.m., Toby & Jack's, 764 Ninth St., Arcata

DJs 10 p.m., Sidelines, 732 Ninth St., Arcata

Songwriter Circle Of Death XI 11:30 p.m., The Alibi, 744 Ninth St., Arcata • *With TheBoredAgain, Nola Victrola and DiZee-C.*

❖ THEATRE

The Nutcracker 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Van Duzer Theatre, HSU, Arcata • *Details on page B1.*

Pippi Longstocking Encore 7:30 p.m., Dell'Arte's Carlo Theatre, 131 H St., Blue Lake • *See Thursday listing for details.*

❖ COMEDY

Random Acts of Comedy 8 p.m., Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., Arcata • *A night of improv. $6.*

❖ OTHER

Dow's Prairie Grange Breakfast and Flea Market 9 a.m., Dow's Prairie Grange Hall, 3995 Dow's Prairie Road, McKinleyville • *Enjoy pancakes, eggs and shopping for knickknacks. Flea market ends at 4 p.m.; $5.*

Arcata Winter Farmers' Market 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Arcata Plaza, Arcata

Crafts at the Library noon to 2 p.m., 1606 Pickett Road, McKinleyville • *The library is hosting drop-in holiday craft workshops. Projects will include jingle bell wreaths and other festive art projects for all ages.*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

❖ MUSIC

Joe Garceau 5 p.m., Lighthouse Grill, Saunders Shopping Center, Trinidad

Bayside Grange Music Project 5 to 9 p.m., Bayside Grange Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road, Bayside • *From 5 to 7 p.m., anyone with an instrument is welcome to join. After 7 p.m., anyone with a wind instrument is welcome for Bandemonium.*

Piano Jazz 6 to 9 p.m., Larrupin Café, 1658 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad • *Music while you dine.*

Open Mic 7 p.m., Mosgo's, 180 Westwood Center, Arcata

Jazz Night 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata

Karaoke with KJ Leonard 8 p.m., WAVE Lounge at Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake

Karaoke with Chris Clay 8 p.m., Firewater Lounge at Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad

Sundaze with Deep Groove Society 9 p.m., Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata

❖ THEATRE

The Nutcracker 1 p.m., Van Duzer Theatre, HSU, Arcata • *Details on page B1.*

❖ DANCE

Rueda de Casino (Cuban Salsa) 7 p.m., Redwood Raks, 824 L St., Arcata

❖ OTHER

Potluck 6 p.m., Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake • *Share a dish with friends old and new.*

50th Anniversary of the 1964 Flood 7 p.m., Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., Arcata • *See page B3 for details.*

Angels Encounters Explored at Lifetree Café 7 p.m., Campbell Creek Connexion, 1340 A St., Arcata • *The program, titled "Angels: Are They Reaching Out to You?" features the filmed story of a man who believes meeting an angel in the Rocky Mountains saved his life during a hunting trip. Admission free.*

Trivia Night 8 p.m., Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

❖ MUSIC

Anemones of the State 5 p.m., Sushi Spot, 1552 City Center Rd., McKinleyville • *Yes, it's the Aber Miller and Drew Mohr jazz duo.*

Open Bluegrass Jam 6 p.m., Redwood Curtain Brewery, 550 South G St., Arcata

Buddy Reed 7 p.m., Crush, 1101 H St., Arcata

Karaoke with DJ Marv 8 p.m., Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville

Rude Lion Mondayz 9:30 p.m., Ocean Grove Cocktail Lounge, 480 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad

The Getdown 10 p.m., The Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata

❖ DANCE

Swing Dance Night 7 p.m., Redwood Raks, 824 L St., Arcata

❖ OTHER

Free Pool all day, Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake

Quiz Night 7 p.m., Blondies Food and Drink, 420 E. California Ave., Arcata

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23

❖ MUSIC

Holly and the I.V.s 6 p.m., Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake

Buddy Reed 7 p.m., Libation, 761 Eighth St., Arcata

Karaoke with Chris Clay 8 p.m., Cher-Ae Heights Casino, 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad

Good and Evil Twins Karaoke 8 p.m., Silver Lining, California Redwood Coast-Humboldt County Airport, McKinleyville.

❖ COMEDY

Savage Henry Weekly Comedy Night 9 p.m., The Jambalaya, 915 H St., Arcata

❖ OTHER

Ping Pong noon, Logger Bar, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake

Game Night 5 p.m., Crush, 1101 H St., Arcata

CALENDAR LISTINGS

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McKinleyville Art Night!

Friday, December 19 ~ 6:00 ~ 8:00 pm

McKinleyville Art Night will be Friday, December 19th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Join us for our community's celebration of local art and artists for music, food and fun. You can find more information about the artists and venues and see additional images online at **www.mckinleyvilleartsnight.com**.

at the Airport:

EUREKA–ARCATA AIRPORT
View artwork by Humboldt County artists at the long term exhibit coordinated by the Redwood Art Association. The show "Women's Work" includes work by Elizabeth Berrien, Lynn Carlin, Becky Evans, Lida Penkova, Georgia Long, Miki Dyson Flatmo, and Rachel K. Schlueter.

SILVER LINING *(3561 Boeing Ave., #D)*
Jim Welsh: *paintings*

Hiller Road:

McKINLEYVILLE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
(1450 Hiller Rd.)
Special Event: *The McKFRC would like to invite children and families to help us decorate the Family Resource Center for the holidays. We will have several interactive arts and crafts stations set up and healthy snacks will be available. Bring your family out to a night of art and fun with special activities from 6:30–7:30 p.m.*

Central Avenue East:

BLAKE'S BOOKS *(2005 Central Ave.)*
Jeff Stanley: *paintings*
Musical Guest: *Harry Smith, jazz keyboard*
Special Event: *Kathrin Burleson will be signing copies of her new book,* Soul's Journey

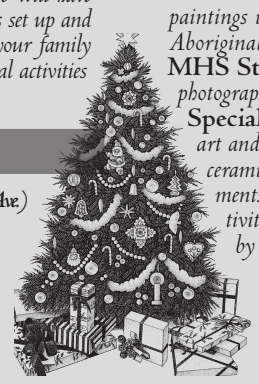
Central Avenue West:

CLONEY'S PHARMACY
(McKinleyville Shopping Center)
Jessica Swanlund: *photography*
Floyd Bettiga: *paintings*

STORK'S NEST
(McKinleyville Shopping Center)
Special Event: *Visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus from 6–7 p.m.! Bring a camera for a photo of your child. Free community event. For more information about Santa call (707) 840-0300.*

Murray Road:

MCKINLEYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
(1300 Murray Road, in the Library)
MHS Students: Dreaming of Dots, *paintings inspired by the study of Autralian Aboriginal art*
MHS Students: Unique Portraits, *photography show*
Special Event: *In addition to enjoying the art and music, guests are invited to tour the ceramics lab, partake in food and refreshments, and participate in art making activities. There will be a live performance by the ARMack Jazz Band.*



Meet the artists during McKinleyville Art Night!

McKinleyville Art Night continues to be the third Friday of each month and is open for all McKinleyville businesses to display the work of our local artists. For more information, contact coordinator Taffy Stockton at (707) 834-6460.

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❖ McKINLEYVILLE ART NIGHT

Art night in Mack Town





PHOTOGRAPY This photograph, left, by Kara Burman will be on display at McKinleyville High School next to other student work. This photograph, right, by Jessica Swanlund will be on display at Cloney's Pharmacy.

Taffy Stockton
McKinleyville Art Night

McKINLEYVILLE – McKinleyville Art Night is this Friday, Dec. 19, from 6 to 8 p.m. Join in the community's celebration of local art and artists for music, food and fun.

Blake's Books, 2005 Central Ave. – Paintings by Jeff Stanley and music by jazz keyboardist Harry Smith. Author Kathrin Burleson will also be at the event signing copies of her new book *Soul's Journey*.

California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport – View artwork by Humboldt County artists at the long term exhibit coordinated by the Redwood Art Association. The show "Women's Work" includes art by Elizabeth Berrien, Lynn Carlin, Becky Evans, Lida Penkova, Georgia Long, Micki Dyson Flatmo and Rachel K. Schlueter.

Cloney's Pharmacy, McKinleyville Shopping Center – Paintings by Floyd Bettiga and photographs by Jessica Swanlund.

McKinleyville Family Resource Center, 1450 Hiller Rd. – Families and children can come help decorate the Family Resource Center for the holidays. There will be several interactive arts and crafts stations set up and healthy snacks will be available. Special activities are from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

McKinleyville High School, 1300 Murray Rd. in the library – All art by MHS students "Dreaming of Dots," are paintings inspired by Australian Aboriginal art and "Unique Portraits" highlights students' photography. Music will be provided by ArMack Jazz Band. In addition to enjoying the art and music, guests are invited to tour the ceramics lab, partake in food and refreshments and participate in art-making activities.

Silver Lining, 3561 Boeing Ave., #D (at the airport) – Paintings by Jim Welsh .

Stork's Nest, McKinleyville Shopping Center – Visit with Santa from 6 to 7 p.m. Bring a camera for a photo of your child. For more information about the event call (707) 840-0300.

Find more information and see additional images at *mckinleyvilleartsnight.com*. (707) 834-6460

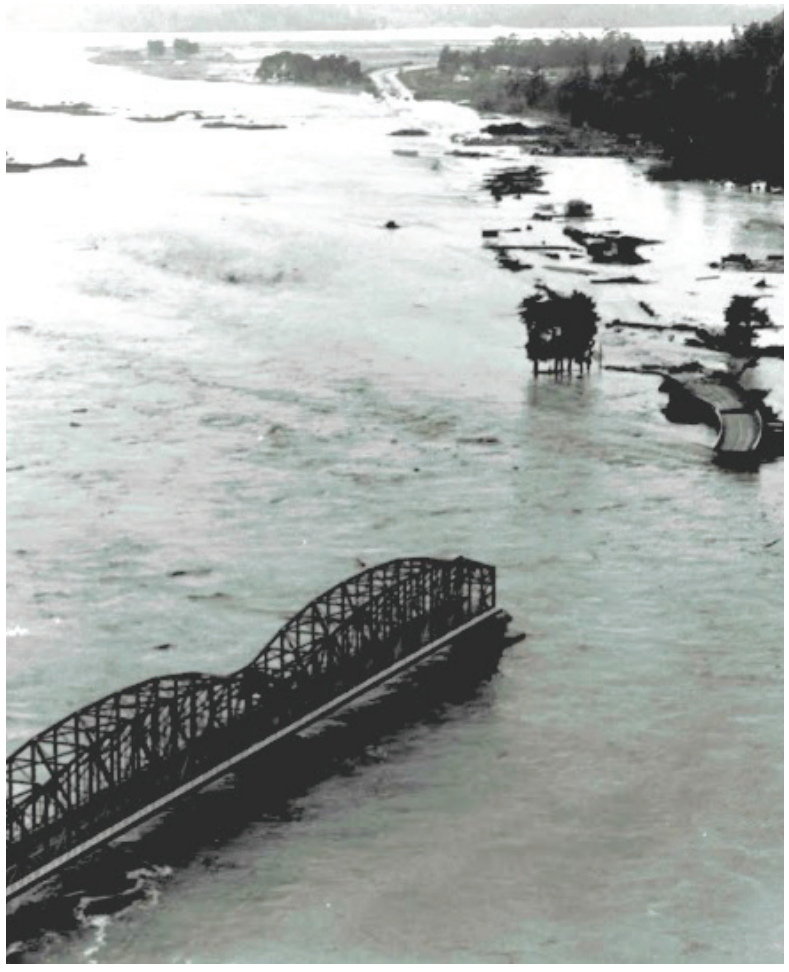
Grief

We grieve and grieve each moment of our lives,
from the trauma of our birth,
when first we sup on love from our mother's breast
and bind ourselves to loss.
Bound to love as well,
we deceive ourselves that love can conquer grief.
Emboldened
we thrust grief away, deny it, suppress it.
But new love and loss
seize us as ineluctably as fate.
Grief surges back, convulses us again,
death rearing its mocking head.
We cry out to love "Why has thou forsaken us?"
Why do those we love desert us in the grave?
Inexorably we suppress our grief
in a vain attempt to bury pain,
submerge, dispatch it forevermore.
Yet it flows as ceaselessly as waves,
always looming, always stalking.
Grief vanquishes love once more,
like the outpouring of a volcano
that had lain too long dormant.
It bursts forth even as we had burst forth from the womb
in the onrush of the mother's anguish,
which torments our tender souls without mercy.
We mewl and wail,
as well we should,
sensing in infancy the countless
misfortunes we shall inherit.
Exhausted by grief,
we sob ourselves to sleep.
At last we find relief,
gain fledgling wisdom from our pain,
discover ourselves bent on embracing love and loss again.

– Paul Mann

❖ HISTORCAL COMMEMORATION

1964 Christmas flood



WATERLOGGED ROADWAYS An aerial photograph of Rio Dell during the 1964 flood. Submitted photo

North Coast Earth Science Community of Practice

ARCATA – Fifty years ago, a great flood occurred in Northern California and Oregon, peaking on Dec. 21 and 22. It is sometimes known as "The Christmas Flood of 1964."

On this day of the peak flow, people will gather to remember the flood, celebrate our resilience and to reflect on the event. The gathering will be held at the Arcata Theatre Lounge on Sunday, Dec. 21 at 6 p.m.

The event will feature short and entertaining talks by local scientists about what happened, how it happened, how people and watersheds recovered and how it changed the way we manage landscapes and watersheds.

The event will include an immersion in the events and atmosphere of 1964, and stories from people who lived through the flood. Several short films and slide shows will be shown. Books and DVDs about the flood will be available to purchase.

"This event is being organized by a loose group of local earth scientists who are still in awe of the size of the flood and the changes is wrought," said Michael Furniss, a local hydrologist and one of the organizers.

"We are cooking up an evening that will be festive, informative, interactive, and fun," Furniss said.

Food and refreshments will be available and dressing up in '60s attire is encouraged but not required. The after-party will feature a '60s-era DJ.

The event will be hosted by the North Coast Earth Science Community of Practice. Admission to the event is $10. Net proceeds will benefit Humboldt County Red Cross.

STUDENTS HONORED Northcoast Preparatory and Performing Arts Academy's musicians, vocalists, poets and creative writers gathered in the music building at HSU Thursday, Dec. 11 to share their pieces with friends and family. NPA honored these talented young people who spend thousands of hours developing technique and sculpting words into both poetry and prose in addition to their rigorous academic work. Shirley Hu, NPA junior and international student from China, and Rachel Post, sophomore, will both audition for the Eureka Symphony in January.

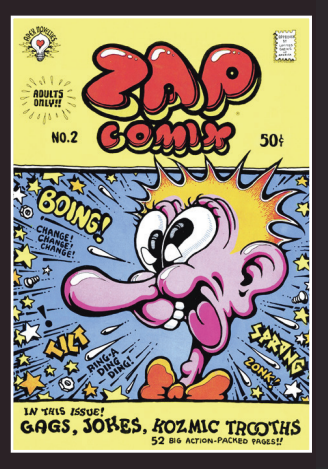
President Johnson was expected to sign the declaration, late last night, which would establish Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino and other North Coast counties as major disaster areas. Congressman Don Clausen told *The Humboldt Times* last evening that with this declaration "the full resources of the federal government are available for direct aid under Public Law 875, passed by the 81st Congress."

This was welcome news to the stricken area where public and private losses due to devastating floods has been estimated to be between $35 and $50 million in Humboldt County alone.

– The Humboldt Times, December 24, 1964

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Gifts do grow on trees this holiday season

ARCATA – The City of Arcata offers eco-friendly gift options for the holiday season that are sure to please any nature-lover in your life. Buying local from the City supports programs that benefit local youth, our community and the entire planet.

Help your loved one shrink their carbon footprint by purchasing carbon offsets from your neighborhood forest. For just $10 you can offset one metric ton of greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to a round-trip between San Francisco and New York City, or driving a midsize car 2,000 miles.

Call the Arcata Environmental Services Department at (707) 822-8184 or email *EServices@CityofArcata.org* to buy offsets, which come with certificates listing how much carbon dioxide gasses are being sequestered for 100 years or more by growing large, old trees in the Jacoby Creek/Barnum Tract of the Arcata Community Forest.

Give the gift of experience to a little (or big) one in your life by giving a $25, $50 or $100 Arcata Recreation Division gift card. Gift cards can be used toward any of over 50 programs offered by Arcata Recreation, including the Arcata Ropes Course, summer camps, school break camps, fresh farm share veggies from Bayside Park Farm, gymnastics classes, piano lessons, martial arts classes and the very popular LEGO engineering classes. To register, call Arcata Recreation at (707) 822-7091, stop by the Recreation office at City Hall or purchase gift cards at *CityofArcata.org/Rec*.

And finally, stop in to the Nature Store at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center the next time you take a walk at the Marsh. The gift shop is stocked with Audubon plush hawks, falcons, ducks and quail with corresponding real bird calls; field guides for birds, plants, marine life, mammals and insects, and renowned National Parks painter Larry Eifert's poster of the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary that's loaded with information about birds, fish and famous wastewater treatment facility.

A gift from the Nature Store supports local artists and the Arcata Marsh and Interpretive Center's many educational programs such as guided bird walks, educational talks on wildlife and the environment and interactive exhibits.



SIZING UP Natural Resources Technician Michael McDowall monitors carbon sequestration in the Sunny Brae Tract of the Arcata Community Forest. For just $10, you can shrink your carbon footprint by one metric ton of carbon dioxide. PHOTO COURTESY CITY OF ARCATA

The Interpretive Center is open Tuesdays through Sundays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Mondays from 1 to 5 p.m. The store accepts cash, checks, Visa and Mastercard and is located at 569 South G St. in Arcata. Call (707) 826-2359 or email *EServices@CityofArcata.org* for more information.

Info on senior services

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

ARCATA – Seniors looking for access to services and resources can make one stop on Thursday, Dec. 18, when the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) Mobile Outreach hosts an event at the Arcata Community Center's Senior Lunch Site, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy., from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Representatives from DHHS's Mental Health's Older Adults Program, In-Home Supportive Services and the Veterans Services Office will be available to talk to attendees about these programs. Staff from Public Health will include an immunization coordinator and a health educator who will demonstrate fun and healthy holiday recipes for participants to sample.

There will also be an eligibility worker available to assist attendees in filling out applications for the CalFresh and Medi-Cal programs.

Humboldt Senior Resource Center and Redwood Coast PACE (Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly) will also have representatives available to talk about the services they provide.

The regularly scheduled senior lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For reservations, contact Tasha of the Humboldt Senior Resource Center at (707) 825-2027. For more information, call (707) 441-4650.

The gift of peace of mind

With the winter bluster upon us, now is a good time to make sure all pets have tags to help them find their way home. The pet tag engraver at Companion Animal Foundation, out of commission for several months, should be back in the store this week.



Come on in for $4 pet tags for dogs, cats and other furry friends. A variety of colors, shapes and sizes are available. They make great holiday presents for four-legged friends and the folks who are fond of them.

Kitten season is slowing down, but there are still kitties to be visited in the adoption room. Come visit the fantastic felines from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Remember that photo ID is required and minors must be accompanied by an adult. For more information on adopting, please email *cafanimals@gmail.com*, visit *cafanimals.org*, check out Companion Animal Foundation on Facebook, call (707) 826-PETS (7387) or visit the thrift store at 88 Sunny Brae Center.

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Panthers share the best way to spread the holiday cheer

Happy Wednesday, Panthers! It's been a couple of weeks and I have so much to catch you up on!

As Christmas break approaches, students are immersing themselves in the Holiday Spirit. On Monday, students rolled directly from bed into class; they didn't even have to change clothes! Monday's theme was "Christmas Morning," reminding students of that warm, cozy feeling of waking up that special morning and spending as much time as you can in comfy pajamas.



On Tuesday, Panthers sported their very own Santa hats and Christmas socks. I'm sure you've seen the crazy variety of Christmas socks out there – they're classic! Wednesday was even more remarkable. Who knew Panthers could sport "ugly" Christmas sweaters so well? Students wore their best (or worst) Christmas sweaters to school. The school was filled with chunky knits, crazy patterns and lots of laughs and smiles were exchanged. It was so entertaining, I'd pay to go to a Christmas sweater fashion show!

Thursday will be Snow Day. Students will dress as if they are about to hit the slopes. We'll see beanies, winter jackets, maybe even some ski poles and snowboards! And finally, Friday, the day before break, will be really special with each class dressing up as something different. The freshmen will be decked out as Christmas trees, the sophomores will be sporting their best reindeer outfits, the juniors will be working hard to spread cheer dressed as elves, and the senior class will be head of the North Pole as they dress as Santa Claus and his wife, Mrs. Claus! By the time Winter Break starts, Mack High's campus will be bursting with holiday cheer!

Mack High's basketball teams have been playing hard since the moment the season started. On Thursday, Dec. 11, at the 47th Annual Jerry Paul AIBT, the Panthers took a victory against the Fortuna Huskies, topping them off with a score of 54-48. The Panthers had so much energy and spark that the gym's power went out after they won the game. Way to make an impression, Panthers!

Our Lady Panthers are working hard, too. Both teams are proving that they are ready for a fantastic season. I'll keep you posted as the season goes on.

From everybody here at Mack High, we bid you a wonderful season of holidays. Please be safe and drive carefully and kindly as the rains pour. And remember, "the best way to spread the holiday cheer is singing loud for all to hear!" No one will judge you if you're caught belting out carols in your car at a stoplight... Chances are, they'll be encouraged to sing along. Have a great week, Panthers!

Chesiree Katter is a senior at McKinleyville High. She plays major roles in her school's Drama Club, and Polynesian Culture Club, enjoys long walks on the beach and has a passion for frozen yogurt.

Christmas Eve will find me Where the love light gleams



Santa paid a visit to the shelter recently. All the good little dogs and cats had just one item on their wish lists – a warm home to call their own. Every week I am hopeful that this column might catch the eye of someone who might have that home to give. Here are just two of the shelter dogs that are waiting patiently for a special someone to grant their Christmas wish.



Ralph is a little 10-year-old Chiweenie, a Chihuahua-Dachshund mix. Ralph finds the big kennel and frequent passersby a little overwhelming at times. But get Ralph out of the kennel and he really comes to life!

Ralph loves other animals and is able to keep up with the big dogs on his walks. He is not going to be the one that turns around before anyone else does!

Ralph is very snuggly. If no one is around, he will tunnel in his blankets and make himself a cocoon, but his first choice would be an available lap.

Ralph is yet another dog that doesn't "show well" in his kennel – he doesn't know why people are staring at him – but everyone who has taken the time to meet him on the outside has fallen in love with his sweet personality. Do you have room in your stocking for Ralph?

Dena is a 2-year-old Pit Bull Terrier mix. Poor little Dena has known a life outside the shelter, but has ended up back inside through no fault of her own. Sometimes we see dogs that have been excellent pets but have had the misfortune to land with people that just aren't up to the responsibility of being good pet owners.

Dena has shown a special level of patience with small children. Those sad eyes would brighten back up with a family to love!

Dena is an easy-going dog that would just like to have a place to settle in and people that she could count on. She is eager to please and should do well with more advanced training. Dena is a nice compact size, maybe forty pounds, and has previously lived with dogs and cats. She would be oh so happy to walk out of the shelter and into a new home!

Both of these dogs, and many more, can be seen at the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. Recent weeks have seen an increase in dogs coming into the shelter and space is at a premium. When you adopt a shelter animal you do more than just gain a loving family member; you also create space for another lost, stray or abandoned animal that might need a safe haven.

All adoptable shelter animals are spayed or neutered, vaccinated and micro-chipped. The shelter is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. More information is available on the Humboldt County Animal Shelter Facebook page or by calling (707) 840-9132.



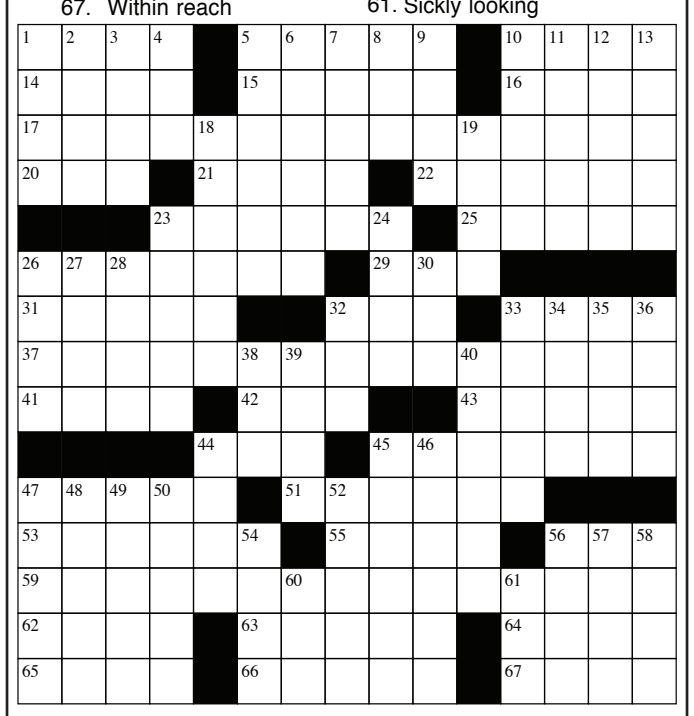
CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Chair or stool
5. Lanes
10. High point
14. Diamond and others
15. Hatred
16. "God Bless America, land __..."
17. Equipped to fight
20. "Oui"
21. British nobleman
22. "This little piggy __ market..."
23. Lustrous fabric
25. Beasts of burden
26. Multicolored cats
29. Pole with a blade at one end
31. Remembered mission
32. Common conjunction
33. Rope fiber
37. Make an obligatory visit
41. NBA or NAACP
42. Highly valued person
43. Get __ on yourself; calm down
44. In favor of
45. Callings
47. One of the five senses
51. Item cast
53. Shaw and others
55. Mantilla
56. Part of a military addr.
59. Experience rejuvenation
62. Taxi rider
63. Audacity
64. English river
65. North Sea feeder
66. Fence openings
67. Within reach

DOWN

1. Kill
2. Ireland, to the Irish
3. Charity
4. Eliot's monogram
5. Word with couch or sweet
6. Reverences
7. Book spine info
8. "Pardon me?"
9. Diving duck
10. Solar disks
11. Huntley and Atkins
12. Dull finish
13. Group principles
18. Church leader
19. Rip
23. One of the 12 Apostles
24. Zero
26. Spanish cloak
27. Word of woe
28. Puts down
30. Commercials
32. Ulna's location
33. Father
34. Farmland unit
35. Word with fry or crazy
36. Recipe amts.
38. Self
39. Eastern European
40. Early release
44. Sense
45. Adhere
46. 1960s skirt styles
47. Sweet stuff
48. Vicinities
49. Cubic meter
50. Floor installer, often
52. Turn away
54. Croon
56. Foreign girlfriend
57. S. A. country
58. Unusual individual
60. Large parrot
61. Sickly looking



Solution in next week's Mad River Union

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Births

Mad River Community Hospital announces these recent arrivals to our community

Salas, Mason Othon Leeon, Nov. 2, 2014, to Cheryl McMinn and Marques Salas Jr.
Belmar, Amanda Maria, Nov 4, 2014, to Sheyda Gomez and David Belmar
Thompson, Maura Rose, Nov. 4, 2014, to Alana Sullivan and Andrew Thompson
Higham, Isabelle Kelley, Nov. 6, 2014, to Morgan and Justin Higham
Page, Kamryn Giana, Nov. 9, 2014, to Gina Sewell and Keithin Page
Hyden, Nova Nataya, Nov. 10, 2014, to Gihane and Christophor Hyden
Wilhite, Lucas Andrew, Nov. 11, 2014, to Petra Hernandez Wilhite and Derek Wilhite
Billinger, Lincoln James, Nov. 12, 2014, to Miriam and Alan Billinger
Kanner, Olivia Suzanne, Nov. 17, 2014, to Cybele Douglas-Poree and Oliver Kanner
St. Onge, Isabella Maddison, Nov. 21, 2014, to Candice Bachelor and Stephen St. Onge
Cloud, River J. Felix, Nov. 21, 2014, to Kathryn Aleman and Aaron Cloud
O'Barr, Wells, Nov. 23, 2014, Juliet and Jared O'Barr
Dixon, Peyton Michael, Nov. 24, 2014, Christina Heathman and Michael Dixon
Coonen, Hazel Ray, Nov. 26, 2014, to Shanna Levine and Noah Coonen
Danzer, Lennox Kobe, Nov. 26, 2014, to Sophia Foote and Adam Danzer
Garth, Thomas Taylor Andre, Nov. 27, 2014, to Natalie Antoinette-Relph and Patrick Garth
John, Jeremiah King, Nov. 29, 2014, to Jessica McGruder and Amos John
Christianson, Kenzie Alexis, Nov. 29, 2014, to Shawna and Drew Christianson
Hohl, Julius Aiden, Nov. 30, 2014, to Katharine Tinsman and James Hohl
Saldate, Alex Miro, Dec. 1, 2014, to Ana Moreno-Saldate and Alex Saldate Jr.
Cantrell, Eva Lily, Dec. 2, 2014, to Jessica and Niekoma Cantrell
Miller, Franke Ray, Dec. 2, 2014, to Kayla Anderson and Marion Miller
Parker, Olivia Marie, Dec. 2, 2014, to Amanda and Erin Parker
Charles-Moon, Waukell Sol Adel Jean, Dec. 4, 2014, to Nettie Charles-Oscar and Ellrod Moon
Deppe, Emrys Orion, Dec. 5, 2014, to Krista Sanford and Michael Deppe
Harrison, Juliesa Louise, Dec. 5, 2014, to Holly Harrison
Aguirre, Antonio Fredy, Dec. 6, 2014, to Keyla January and Fredy Aguirre
Tracy, Daniel Thomas, Dec. 6, 2014, to Dianna Scott-Woodward and Daniel Tracy
Jones, Xatimniim Terri, Dec. 7, 2014, to Leah Rodriguez-White and Kanuk Jones

Deaths

Humboldt County Vital Records at the Public Health Dept. announces these recent departures from our community

Avelar, Olivia M., Feb. 14, 1930 – Oct. 30, 2014, of Arcata
Beasley, Lillie Leiolet, Oct. 14, 1930 – Nov. 4, 2014, of Arcata
Phelps, Daniel Perry, June 1, 1963 – Nov. 5, 2014, of McKinleyville
Bentjen, Arthur Ernest, Jan. 4, 1931 – Nov. 6, 2014, of McKinleyville
Duncan, Connie Junela, Jan. 28, 1941 – Nov. 7, 2014, of Blue Lake
Oursland, Linda Lee, Oct. 5, 1952 – Nov. 8, 2014, of McKinleyville
Sacchi, Dudley Walter, June 13, 1918 – Nov. 9, 2014, of Arcata
Holden, Judith Ann, June 16, 1943 – Nov. 9, 2014, of McKinleyville
Sloan, Mary Shelley, Aug. 3, 1942 – Nov. 12, 2014, of Arcata
Douglas, Joan Patrice Carlisle, July 15, 1925 – Nov. 14, 2014, of Arcata

Let your love light shine this season

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Hospice of Humboldt has been serving families locally for over 35 years and has a staff of 81 employees and 126 volunteers. Hospice provided end of life care to 636 patients last year who, as a result, were able to die with dignity and in comfort. *hospiceofhumboldt.org*

Give a kid a break



WINTER BREAK CAMPERS find their inner artists during a school break earlier this year. Photo courtesy City of Arcata

ARCATA – The City of Arcata's Recreation Division offers Arcata Break Camps during school breaks. Kindergarteners through fifth graders enjoy art lessons, painting, drawing and other art mediums at the Arcata Community Center's Teen Room.

Join up for three days of Winter Break 1, from Monday, Dec. 22 through Wednesday, Dec. 24. Sign up for full days from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or half days from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or from 1 to 5 p.m. Daily 8 a.m. early drop-off or late pick-up until 5:30 p.m. are also possible at no extra charge.

Fees are $78 for three full days or $57 for three half days (non-Arcata residents add $10). The full day costs $32 per day and half days cost $22 per day (non-Arcata residents add $2 per day). You can also register now for four days of Winter Break 2, from Monday, Dec. 29 through Wednesday, Dec. 31 and again Friday, Jan. 2.

Look forward to more Arcata Break Camps for five days during President's Week, from Monday, Feb. 16 to Friday, Feb. 20 and for five days during Spring Break, from Monday, April 6 to Friday, April 10.

CityofArcata.org/Rec, (707) 822-7091

THE PLACE TO PLAY The City of Arcata Recreation Division, with funding from First 5 Humboldt, offers a safe and comfortable place for families to meet and share parenting and play experiences. Bring your newborns and children up to five years old to the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St. in Arcata. Arcata Play Center meets weekly on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. Snacks are offered and this is a year-round program. Sara, Jessica and Celeste facilitate this fun and supportive group. The fee is a $3/day donation per child. Monthly rates are also available. Find them on Facebook to check out their weekly calendar of events and activities for kids. (707) 822-7091, *cityofarcata.org/rec*

KINDER SPORTS IN MACK TOWN Looking to get your toddler involved in sports? McKinleyville Parks and Recreation is offering KinderSports and KinderSports Junior. Toddlers ages 2 to 5 years have the opportunity to participate in the sport of the season. The upcoming program will focus on basketball. Participants will be introduced to the fundamentals of basketball and learn positive sportsmanship. The next session begins Saturday, Jan. 17 and will take place on Saturdays for six weeks. Classes fill up quickly, so contact McKinleyville Parks and Recreation at (707) 839-9003 or visit *rec.mckinleyvillecsd.com* to get your child or children registered today. Registration fees are $45 residents/$50 non-residents.

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Answers to last week's crossword

❖ EMPLOYMENT

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 14-00698
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
INDUSTRIAL TROUBLE-SHOOTING & REPAIR
4785 ASTER AVE.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
TIMOTHY E. ROSS
4785 ASTER AVE.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/TIMOTHY E. ROSS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on December 3, 2014
C. CRNICH
A. HARENNY DEPUTY
12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 14-00654
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
CAFE RAVEN
862 MAD RIVER ROAD
ARCATA, CA 95521
BY RAVEN'S GRACE, LLC 20147010191
5435 ERICSON WAY #6
ARCATA. CA 95521
This business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company
S/JAMES DEFENBAUGH, MEMBER, BY RAVEN'S GRACE, LLC
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on November 14, 2014
C. CRNICH
M. MORRIS DEPUTY
12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 14-00681
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
ON THE SPOT SPORTSWEAR
1625 PRAIRIE HAWKE CT.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
HEATHER I. VIÑA
1625 PRAIRIE HAWKE CT.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/HEATHER VIÑA, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on November 21, 2014
C. CRNICH
A. HARENNY DEPUTY
12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 14-00694
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
THE GOT RESPECT STORE
760 REDWOOD DR.
GARBERVILLE, CA 95542
VINCENT M. POLLOCK
13279 BRICELAND-THORN ROAD
WHITEHORN, CA 95589
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/VINCENT POLLOCK, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on December 3, 2014
C. CRNICH
A. HARENNY DEPUTY
12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 14-00715
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
FIRE & LIGHT
45 ERICSON CT.
ARCATA, CA 95521
FIRE & LIGHT ORIGINALS, LP
45 ERICSON CT.
ARCATA, CA 95521
This business is conducted by: A Limited Partnership
S/JOHN A. MCCLURG, PRESIDENT GAEA RESOURCES INC./GENERAL PARTNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on December 10, 2014
C. CRNICH
M. MORRIS DEPUTY
12/17, 12/24, 12/31, 1/7

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME TINA MARIE HENDRICKS CARVER SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV140671
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner TINA MARIE HENDRICKS CARVER has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: DARRAH FRANCES DODGEN to Proposed name DARRAH FRANCES CARVER-DODGEN.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: December 29, 2014
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8
3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: NOV. 12, 2014
W. BRUCE WATSON
Judge of the Superior Court
11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17

AMENDED ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CYNTHIA RAMIREZ SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV140693
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner CYNTHIA RAMIREZ has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: GIOVANI ENRIQUE RAMIREZ to Proposed name GIOVANI ENRIQUE MATIAS-RAMIREZ.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: December 22, 2014
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8
3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: NOV. 10, 2014
W. BRUCE WATSON
Judge of the Superior Court
11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME ANDREW PAUL MOORE WARNER SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV140754
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: ANDREW PAUL MOORE-WARNER to Proposed name ANDREW PAUL RIVERA.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: January 5, 2015
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8
3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: NOV. 12, 2014
W. BRUCE WATSON
Judge of the Superior Court
11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ANN L. SEAWALL CASE NO.: PR140296
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: ANN L. SEAWALL
A **Petition for Probate** has been filed by: MICHAEL NOVAK in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: MICHAEL NOVAK be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: January 8, 2015
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 8
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. Yoiu may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petittion or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner:
RYAN HURLEY
GALE & NIELSEN
2850 HARRIS STREET
EUREKA, CA 95503
(707) 269-0167
12/10, 12/17, 12/24

CITY OF ARCATA NOTICE OF ARCATA CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Arcata CITY COUNCIL will conduct public hearings on Wednesday, January 7, 2015, beginning at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as can be heard) in the City Council Chambers, Arcata City Hall, 736 F St., to take action on the projects listed below.
Projects: Consider accepting the Coastal Commission's suggested modifications to the City's Local Coastal Plan Amendment (LCP-1-ARC-14-0015-1) conditionally approved by the Coastal Commission on August 13, 2014, through the consideration of Resolution 145-20 and Ordinances 1453 and 1453, amending the zoning on several parcels in the Coastal zone.
Applicant: The City of Arcata
Location: Throughout the City's Coastal zone.
File Number: n/a
Coastal Zone: All of the subject properties affected by the amendments are located in the Coastal zone.
Environmental: The original Ordinances were found by the City Council to exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15061(b)(3) because the text amendments will not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The City adopted the following previous environmental documents that contemplated impacts from residential development; Environmental Impact Report (EIR) – Arcata General Plan; Negative Declarations for 2009, and 2014 Housing Element Updates, and 2008 Land Use Code.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that anyone desiring to present testimony regarding said projects may do so prior to or at the public hearings noticed herein. Submit written comments to the Community Development Department, 736 F Street, Arcata, CA 95521, or comdev@cityofarcata.org. Information regarding the proposed projects and environmental review may be reviewed at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 "F" Street, Arcata, on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and noon, and 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Staff knowledgeable of the project may be contacted via telephone: (707) 822-5955. 12/17

CITY OF ARCATA NOTICE OF ARCATA CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Arcata CITY COUNCIL will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, January 7, 2015, beginning at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as can be heard) in the City Council Chambers, Arcata City Hall, 736 F St., to take action on the project listed below.
Projects: Consider Ordinance 1452, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata adopting an amendment to Section 9.44.060.b of the Land Use Code pertaining to the allowed height of Telecommunications Facilities. Ordinance 1452 rescinds Ordinance 1449, changing only the effective date of the Ordinance to 30 days after adoption by the City Council as opposed to certification by the Coastal Commission as was originally adopted.
Location: Throughout the City.
File Number: n/a
Coastal Zone: The Land Use Code text amendment is effective throughout the City.
Environmental: The original Ordinance was found by the City Council to exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15061(b)(3) because the text amendment will not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The City adopted the following previous environmental documents that contemplated impacts from residential development; Environmental Impact Report (EIR) – Arcata General Plan; Negative Declarations for 2009, and 2014 Housing Element Updates, and 2008 Land Use Code.
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CALTRANS CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGIES A final public meeting sharing the findings and climate change adaptation strategies for vulnerable state roads in Caltrans District 1 will be held Thursday, Dec. 18 from 4 to 6 p.m. in Eureka City Council chambers, 531 K St. in Eureka. For more information, contact Rebecca Crow of GHD at (707) 443-8326 or visit *northcoastclimatechange.com*.

AUDUBON MARSH TOUR Redwood Region Audubon Society is sponsoring a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Dec. 20. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Gary Friedrichsen in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

FOAM MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Dec. 20 at 2 p.m. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

EUREKA WATERFRONT TOUR Accompany Redwood Region Audubon Society on Sunday, Dec. 21 for a field trip to the Eureka Waterfront. Meet leader Ralph Bucher at 9 a.m. at the end of Del Norte Street, where participants will scope birds from the public dock. Attendees will then drive to the Hikshari' trailhead at Truesdale Street and bird along the trail through the Elk River Wildlife Sanctuary.

(707) 499-1247, *thebook@reninet.com*

DUNES SOLSTICE WALK Celebrate the changing seasons with a Winter Solstice Walk at the Ma-le'l Dunes Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, Dec. 21 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The Winter Solstice marks the shortest day of the year and the start of lengthening days as spring and summer approach. Meet at the Ma-le'l Dunes North parking lot, accessed off Young Lane in Manila.

To reserve a spot on this naturalist-guided walk, contact Friends of the Dunes at (707) 444-1397 or *info@friendsofthedunes.org*.

SLOW-SPEED MARSH TOUR On Tuesday, Dec. 23 at 2 p.m., Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour for those who love the Marsh and want to enjoy seeing it at a slower pace than regular Saturday tours. The tour will last 45 to 60 minutes across even, level ground and is suitable to attendees of all ages who want to learn and like camaraderie.

The meeting place has been changed to the first parking lot on South I Street in from Samoa Boulevard (rather than Klopp Lake). This tour is held the last Tuesday of each month.

Call leader Jane Wilson at (707) 822-3475 with any questions.

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Please contact the Environmental Services Department
(707) 822-8184 Eservices@cityofarcata.org
www.cityofarcata.org/departments/environmental-services/city-forests



